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OF THE

General Hospital Society ·

OF

CONNECTICUT,

AND SUBSEQUENT ACTS, AMENDING OR AFFECT-
ING THE SAME.



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AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STATE HOSPITAL.

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SEC. 2.—That said Society shall be governed by the principles of the Constitution, comprised in the following Articles:

CONSTITUTION OF THE GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

ART. I.—The General Hospital Society of Connecticut, shall be composed of those subscribers whose benefactions amount to either of the subsequent sums:—Those who pay twenty dollars, shall be members for life; and those who pay twelve dollars, shall be members for ten years; those who pay two dollars shall also be members, and shall be required to pay the same annually, until their names are withdrawn from the subscribers' list, on application to the Secretary. The President and Fellows of the Connecticut Medical Society, shall be ex-officio members of the Society.

ART. II.—The members of the Society shall meet annually for the choice of Directors, and for the transaction of any other business not delegated to its officers.

ART. III.—There shall be two classes of directors; one to

hold their office for life, the other annually appointed. Those subscribers who pay one hundred dollars, or an equivalent annuity, or twenty-five dollars annually for five years, shall be Directors for life. At least ten Directors shall be annually chosen by the Society by ballot; and in all cases as many as shall equal the number by subscription.

ART. IV.—There shall be an annual meeting of the Directors, at which six shall constitute a quorum, to choose a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Prudential Committee, Visitors, Attending Physicians and Surgeons, and such other Officers as may be necessary.

ART. V.—The elected Vice-President shall have the privileges of a Director. Those persons who pay two hundred dollars, shall be Vice-Presidents for life.

ART. VI.—The Treasurer having given adequate security for the faithful discharge of his duties, shall receive the funds of the Society, and pay the same to the order of the Prudential Committee. He shall present a copy of his accounts every quarter, to the Prudential Committee, and every year present a financial report to the Society.

ART. VII.—The Secretary shall keep an accurate register of the members of the Society for each year, and record the transactions of both Society and Directors; he shall also report at each meeting of the Society, the names of those who, during the preceding year have become members of the Society, and also of those who have withdrawn their patronage.

ART. VIII.—The Prudential Committee shall consist of three; they shall be subject to the regulations of the Directors, manage the economical and financial concerns of the Hospital; and shall meet as often as there may be occasion, to regulate the admission and discharge of patients, and for the transaction of the ordinary business of the Hospital. They shall audit the Treasurer's accounts, and report accordingly at the annual meeting of the Directors.

ART. IX.—The Visitors shall be six in number, of whom two at least shall visit the Hospital every month, and as frequently as they may deem proper. They shall enquire into the economical and moral concerns of the Hospital, suggest improvements, and designate abuses, in a report every two months, to the Prudential Committee.

ART. X.—A Board of Physicians and Surgeons, consisting of six in number, shall be elected by the Directors, at their annual meeting. The attending Physicians and Surgeons shall receive no compensation for their services.

Admission of Patients.

ART. XI.—The Hospital shall be a charitable institution; and patients belonging to this State shall in all cases be preferred.

ART. XII.—Any subscriber, town, corporate society, or as-

sociation of individuals, paying one hundred dollars, may at any time name one indigent person who shall have the benefits of the Hospital, free of expense, during six weeks ~~by~~ each year.

ART. XIII.—The Directors shall, from time to time, make regulations for the admission of patients, and for the discharge of such as are deemed incurable, or such others as are not ~~con-~~ *deem* sidered proper subjects for hospital privileges. *said*

SEC. 3.—That the first meeting of ~~the~~ *said* Society shall be held at the State House, in New Haven, at such time as shall be appointed, by Nathan Smith, Thomas Hubbard, Eli Todd, John S. Peters, Benjamin Silliman, Thomas Miner, William Leffingwell, John Skinner, Eli Ives and Jonathan Knight, or a majority of them, and by them notified by advertisement in a newspaper printed in each of the towns of Hartford, New Haven and Middletown, at least three weeks before the time fixed for such meeting; and the annual and other meetings of said Society, shall thereafter be holden at such times and places, and be warned in such manner, as said society shall from time to time direct.

SEC. 4.—That said Society shall have power, with the assent of the Commissioners to be appointed under this Act, by their vote in legal meeting, warned with express notice of that object, to fix the location, and to approve or prescribe the style and extent of the buildings, and other accommodations for the use of the Hospital; and no expenditure of the funds of said Society shall be made by the officers thereof, in the purchase of lands, or in the erection of buildings, but in pursuance of such vote or votes of said society. *S. S.*

SEC. 5.—*And be it further enacted,* That the Governor for the time being, with two other commissioners to be appointed by the General Assembly, shall superintend the general concerns of said Hospital; make such occasional visits as they may deem expedient, and report to the legislature from time to time concerning the affairs of the Hospital. *u. p.*

Provided nevertheless, That this Act or any part thereof, may be altered or repealed by the General Assembly. *S.*

Approved, May 31, 1826.

AN ACT IN ALTERATION OF "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STATE HOSPITAL," PASSED MAY, 1834.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened,* That the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, be, and they hereby are authorized to receive, hold, and convey at any time, free from taxation, property, real and personal, to the amount of thirty thousand dollars; anything in the act of incorporation to the contrary notwithstanding. *put*

SEC. 2. So much of the first article of the Constitution of said society, as constitutes those persons who pay two dollars, *not*

signature inserted that
 members of the society, and requires them to pay the same sum annually, until their names are withdrawn, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. There shall be annually chosen by the society, by ballot, ten directors and no more; anything in the third article of the said constitution to the contrary notwithstanding; and any six of said elected directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

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 SEC. 4. So much of the eighth article of the said constitution as requires the Prudential Committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts, be, and the same is hereby repealed

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT TO CHOOSE TWELVE DIRECTORS ANNUALLY: PASSED IN 1854.

Resolved by this Assembly; That there shall be annually chosen by the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, by ballot, twelve directors, anything in the third section of "An act in alteration of an act to establish a State Hospital," (passed May session, 1834) to the contrary notwithstanding; and any six of said elected directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; and the doings of said society, in electing twelve directors at their last election, are hereby confirmed.

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 AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT: PASSED IN, 1865. *Mo*

Resolved by this Assembly: SECTION 1. The General Hospital Society of Connecticut is hereby authorized to receive, hold, retain and convey estate, real and personal, to an amount not exceeding at any one time three hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. This act may be altered, amended or repealed at the pleasure of the general assembly. And this increase of capital is solely authorized upon the condition that said General Hospital Society, shall hereafter make an annual report to the General Assembly of the condition of the Hospital, number of its patients and state of its finances, receipts and expenditures.

AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT: PASSED IN 1873.

Resolved by this Assembly: SECTION 1. Persons contributing at any one time for the use of said society the sum of fifty dollars, shall be members thereof for life; persons contributing at any one time the sum of twenty-five dollars, shall be members for ten years.

SEC. 2. Persons contributing at any one time for the use of said society the sum of five hundred dollars, shall be directors thereof for life. The society shall annually choose, by ballot, four directors, and [*may annually choose by ballot, additional directors not exceeding in number, as amended in 1874*] as many more as may at any time be necessary to make

the number of elected directors equal to that of the life directors. The elected directors now in office, shall, before the next annual meeting of the society, enroll themselves by lot into three classes of four each ; one class to hold office for two years from and after said annual meeting ; one class to hold office for one year from and after said meeting ; and one class to hold office until said meeting ; and all directors hereafter elected shall hold office for three years, and until others are chosen in their stead ; *provided, that every additional director, over the number of four, who may be elected at any annual meeting, shall hold office for such term, not exceeding three years, nor less than one year, as said society may fix and prescribe, as amended in 1874.*

SEC. 3. Any person contributing at any one time for the use of the society the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, shall be entitled during his life to nominate and keep, from time to time, subject to the rules of the society, one person as a patient in the hospital of said society, who shall have the benefits thereof free of expense, and who may be removed and his place supplied by another at the pleasure of such contributor. Any person contributing at any one time the sum of one thousand dollars, shall be entitled to the same privilege for any three months which he may select in each year and every year of his life ; all persons so contributing one thousand dollars and upwards shall be vice presidents of said society for life.

SEC. 4. Section first of an act entitled "An Act in alteration of an Act to establish a State Hospital," passed May session 1834, is hereby amended by striking out the words "property real and personal to the amount of thirty thousand dollars," and substituting therefor the words "property real and personal to such an amount as may be necessary for the charitable purposes of said society."

SEC. 5. Said society shall make a report to the general assembly annually, of the condition of its hospital, number of patients, and state of its finances, including its receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year next preceeding.

SEC. 6. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Extracts from the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1875.

TITLE 12—CHAPTER 1. TAXATION, Sec. 12.

"The following property shall be exempt from taxation . . . all property of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, and the Hartford Hospital."

AN ACT IN RELATION TO INVALID SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AND MARINES: PASSED IN 1878.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in

General Assembly convened: SECTION 1. All soldiers, sailors, and marines who served in the Union army or navy in the late civil war, in the Connecticut regiments, or in the navy quota from Connecticut, and received an honorable discharge therefrom, who, from disease or wounds, may need medical care and treatment, shall be entitled to receive such medical care and treatment as may be necessary at the Hartford hospital, or at the hospital of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut at New Haven : and the expense of such medical care and treatment shall be defrayed by the State.

SEC. 2. All soldiers, sailors, and marines who served in the Union army or navy in the late civil war, in Connecticut regiments, or in the navy quota from Connecticut, who shall, from wounds or disease, become unable to earn a livelihood, and who have no adequate means of support, shall, if they have received an honorable discharge from said army or navy, be entitled to a home at the hospitals named in the preceding section, and to such food and clothing as shall be necessary ; and the expense thereof shall be defrayed by the State.

SEC. 3. All soldiers, sailors, and marines who served in the Union army or navy in the late civil war, and who may wish to avail themselves of the benefits of this Act, shall make application to the Governor of the State, who, with the adjutant-general and surgeon-general of the State, shall constitute a Soldiers' Hospital Board, with full powers to make all necessary rules and regulations for the government of soldiers, sailors, and marines who may avail themselves of the benefits of this Act, and shall have sole power to admit or discharge any soldier, sailor, or marine for cause, and to fix the sum paid for such medical treatment, care, and support.

SEC. 4. All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this Act shall take effect July first, 1878.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC CHARITABLE AND REFORMATORY INSTITUTIONS : PASSED IN 1878.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened: That section eighteen of chapter five, title eight of the revised statutes be and the same is, amended so as to read as follows :

Five thousand dollars shall be annually paid from the treasury to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, and the same sum to the Hartford Hospital, to be expended, under the direction of the Governor and the managers of said institutions respectively, for the support of charity patients, and so used as to benefit the different towns, as they may from time to time make application ; a report of which expenditures shall be made annually to the General Assembly.

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BY-LAWS

OF THE

General Hospital Society of Connecticut.

I.—MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting of the Society shall be held at the Hospital in New Haven, on the last Thursday of January in each year, at such time as the President and Secretary may direct. Notice of all meetings shall be published in at least two daily newspapers printed in New Haven, for at least three days preceding such meeting.

II.—MEETINGS OF THE DIRECTORS.

The Annual Meeting of the Directors shall be held on the day following the Annual Meeting of the Society, and other stated meetings shall be held on the third Friday of April, July and October in each year.

Special meetings of the Directors shall be called by order of the President whenever, in his opinion, the business of the Society requires it, or when requested in writing by any five of the Directors. And when special meetings are so called, he shall direct the Secretary to insert in the notices to the members the import of the business to come before them, and such notices shall be served at least two days previous to the time appointed for the meeting, when practicable.

III.—DIRECTORS' REPORT.

At each Annual Meeting of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut the Board of Directors shall make a report to the Society of the condition of the Hospital and of their action during the year.

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS.

IV.—OF THE PRESIDENT.

The President of the Society shall preside at the meetings of the Board of Directors. He shall call special meetings of the Board and of the Society whenever, in his opinion, the business of the Society requires it, or when requested so to do in writing by five Directors, to be held at such place in the City of New Haven as he may think proper.

V.—OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT.

In case of the absence of the President, the elected Vice-President shall possess his powers and perform his duties.

VI.—OF THE TREASURER.

The Treasurer having given bonds to the satisfaction of the Finance Committee, shall have the custody of all bonds, titles, deeds, and other papers and documents relating to the property of the corporation, and of all moneys belonging thereto. He shall open an account with one of the banks in the City of New Haven, to be approved by the Board, in the name of this corporation, and shall deposit all moneys in such bank immediately upon his receiving them. He shall keep a proper check and account-book, showing the amount of funds in his hands, which shall at all suitable times be open to the inspection of the Directors. At each stated meeting he shall present an account, or an abstract thereof, showing the state of the treasury. He shall pay all orders which shall be drawn upon him in the manner hereafter prescribed. He shall execute such resolutions as may be adopted by the Committee of Finance relative to the investment of funds, in compliance with article IX of the By-Laws. He shall prepare and lay before the members of the Society at their Annual Meeting a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the preceding year, of the funds of the Society, and of the manner in which the same are invested.

VII.—OF THE SECRETARY.

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the proceedings of the Society and of the Board of Directors, and shall give true copies

of the same when requested by the Directors or any one of them. He shall preserve all the records and papers which belong to his office, and they shall at all times be open to the inspection of any Director. He shall notify the Directors of every meeting of the Board, by notice addressed to them through the Post Office, or otherwise, at least two days, when practicable, before the meeting; and shall give similar notice of the meetings of the Society, by publication in at least two daily city papers, for at least three days preceding such meeting. He shall also cause notice to be given to the Chairman of each Committee, of the names of the members thereof, and the object for which they may be appointed. And he shall cause every person appointed on any Standing Committee or on the Medical Board to be notified of his appointment.

VIII.—ELECTION OF COMMITTEES.

The Directors shall elect by ballot, at their Annual Meeting, a Prudential Committee and a Committee of Finance, each to consist of three members; an Auditing Committee of two members, a Superintendent, and a Board of six Visitors, who shall hold office during the year, and until others are elected in their stead, unless otherwise ordered by the Board. Any vacancies occurring during the year may be filled in like manner.

IX.—OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Finance to adopt proper means of augmenting the subscriptions and benefactions, to circulate information respecting the Hospital, to see that the subscriptions are duly received, and to direct the Treasurer in investing the funds, when not otherwise ordered by the Prudential Committee.

X.—OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.

1. The Prudential Committee shall consist of three. They shall give such orders and establish such regulations as they shall think proper to carry into effect the objects of this institution; provided such orders and regulations be not inconsistent with those established by the Board of Directors.

2. They shall receive or reject applicants for admission in accordance with the regulations upon that subject, and shall determine whether the applicant shall be received as a free or pay patient, and in the latter case they shall fix the rate of payment ; but they shall admit no person without a previous examination by one of the Medical Staff.

3. They shall meet at the Hospital at least once in each week ; but in the interval between their meetings, and when the circumstances of the case shall require it, the Superintendent may act as their representative in the admission of patients, reporting his action in each case to the Committee at their next meeting.

4. They shall see that no patient is allowed to remain in the Hospital unnecessarily, or to the detriment of the institution.

5. They may, at their discretion, discharge any patient or Hospital attendant for disorderly conduct.

6. They shall have general charge of all property within the precincts of the Hospital, and authorize such repairs and disbursements as may from time to time, be necessary ; but no extraordinary expenditure shall be authorized exceeding one hundred dollars per month, except by the Board. They shall examine as to whether economy is observed in the several departments of the Hospital, the quantity and quality of the food and medicines furnished, and the consumption of liquors for Hospital purposes. They shall, once a week, inspect all the Hospital buildings, visit the wards and dead-house, laundry, water and bathing closets, inquire into the behavior of the House officers, the nurses and attendants, and the cleanliness and order of all parts of the Hospital and grounds.

7. They shall audit all bills and accounts, and when approved shall draw orders on the Treasurer for the payment thereof, to be signed by at least two members. They shall keep a book of minutes, and enter therein on each visiting day their proceedings and observations, which book shall be laid before the Board at every stated meeting.

XI.—OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The office of the Auditing Committee shall be to examine the Treasurer's accounts at the close of each year, prior to the annual meeting, and report thereon.

XII.—OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS.

The Board of Visitors shall visit the Hospital at least once each week. They shall inquire into the economical administration of the Hospital, and such other matters as are connected with the care and comfort of the patients. They shall be careful to make all recommendations and suggestions in writing to the Prudential Committee, and shall report all reasonable complaints from patients.

XIII.—OF FREE BEDS.

If any person has given, within the year past, or shall hereafter give to the Society during any twelve months the sum of five thousand dollars, he and his heirs and assigns shall be entitled to nominate patients to one free bed in the Hospital of the Society from time to time, forever. Not more than one patient to be nominated by the same person at any one time. If any person shall give the Society during any twelve months the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, he and his heirs and assigns shall be entitled to nominate patients to one free bed in the Hospital of the Society from time to time, during, not exceeding, six months in each year, forever; not more than one patient to be nominated by the same person at any one time.* All sums given or to be given and appropriated for the maintenance of free beds shall be invested and kept as a special and perpetual fund, the income only to be used for the support of the Hospital.

XIV.—ALTERATIONS OR ADDITIONS.

No alteration of, or additions to, these By-Laws shall be made, unless proposed in writing to this Society by at least twelve Directors, of whom six shall be elected Directors.

* This By-Law is of later date than Article XII of the Charter, and gives to the donor of twenty-five hundred dollars his choice between the free bed here described and that provided by the Charter for donors of the same amount.

REGULATIONS

OF THE

General Hospital Society of Connecticut.

OF THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

I.—APPOINTMENTS.

All Physicians and Surgeons connected with the Hospital shall be elected by ballot, by the Board of Directors, at their Annual Meeting, for the year commencing February 1st next ensuing. Any vacancies occurring during the year may be filled in like manner from candidates nominated by the Medical Board.

II.—MEDICAL BOARD.

1. There shall be four or more Consulting Physicians and Surgeons ; there shall be six Attending Physicians and four Attending Surgeons, two of whom shall be termed Senior Surgeons and two Junior Surgeons.

They shall receive no pay for their services in the Hospital.

2. The Medical Board shall consist of the Consulting and Attending Physicians and Surgeons, four of its members constituting a quorum.

3. The Medical Board shall meet regularly on the first Saturday of each month, and at the first regular meeting in February of each year shall elect a President, Vice-President, and Secretary, who shall perform the customary duties of those offices respectively, for one year from the first day of June next ensuing.

4. Special meetings of the Medical Board may be called by its President or by the Board of Directors.

5. The Medical Board shall make rules for the internal management of the Hospital, so far as the Medical Staff is concerned, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, and not inconsistent with existing By-Laws.

6. The Medical Board shall advise the Board of Directors in all matters pertaining to the health and physical well-being of the patients. They shall regulate the diet of the patients and the manner and time of giving clinical instruction; they shall also appoint suitable persons as House Medical Staff and Apothecary.

7. The Medical Board shall examine all applicants for appointment on the House Medical Staff. A competitive examination shall be held in each year, at such time as may be directed by the Prudential Committee, and the candidates who are found best qualified shall be appointed to fill vacancies.

III.—CONSULTING PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.

The Consulting Physicians and Surgeons shall be considered as counsellors, and shall be invited to attend all capital operations and to advise in the treatment of obscure and important cases.

IV.—ATTENDING PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.

1. The Hospital shall be divided into one Medical and one Surgical Department.

2*a*. There shall be assigned to the Medical Department six Physicians, whose several terms of service during the year shall be two months.

2*b*. There shall be assigned to the Surgical Department two Senior and two Junior Surgeons.

The Senior Surgeons shall serve alternately for periods of three months each.

The attending Senior Surgeon shall visit the Hospital on each Saturday, and shall be accompanied by the attending Junior Surgeon. He shall visit the Hospital and accompany the Junior on his regular daily visits, at other times, when the welfare of the patients requires it, or when requested to do so for the purpose of consultation or operation.

All capital operations shall be performed by or under the direction, when practicable, of the attending Senior Surgeon. When possible, a consultation of all the Medical Board shall be called.

The Junior Surgeons shall serve alternately for periods of two months each.

The Attending Physician and Junior Surgeon shall visit the Hospital once daily, at such hour as the Medical Board may direct, and in cases of emergency at such other times as each shall deem necessary. The Junior Surgeon shall assist the Senior Surgeon in all capital operations, and shall have general charge of the treatment of patients, subject to the approval of the Senior Surgeon.

3. The Physicians and Surgeons having charge of each department, shall so arrange that one or the other shall visit their department each day.

4. The attending Physicians and Surgeons shall have the entire direction of the treatment of the patients. They shall also exercise a supervision of the condition of the wards, the behavior of the orderlies and nurses, and the character of the food of the patients, and report to the Prudential Committee. They may give clinical instruction, illustrated by the patients in their respective departments, to such practitioners of medicine and students as are admitted to the Hospital.

5. The Attending Physicians and Surgeons on duty may be present at the meetings of the Prudential Committee, to confer with them on the management of the House.

V.—PATHOLOGIST.

1. A Pathologist shall be appointed by the Board of Directors, upon the nomination of the Medical Board.

2. All post mortem examinations upon persons dying in the Hospital shall be made under the direction of the Pathologist, when practicable.

3. All post-mortem examinations shall be made at an appointed hour, and not until a reasonable time after the death of a patient.

4. All pathological specimens shall be the property of the Hospital; and shall be kept in a suitable place, to be provided by the Prudential Committee.

5. The Pathologist may give instruction in pathological anatomy in the autopsy-room.

6. The Pathologist shall have charge of the post-mortem instruments.

7. The Pathologist may appoint an assistant, subject to the approval of the Medical Board.

VI.—CURATOR.

1. The Assistant to the Pathologist shall be *ex-officio* Curator of the Museum.

2. He shall have charge of the Hospital Museum, and of the necessary apparatus for preserving specimens.

3. He shall prepare for the Museum all such specimens as may be delivered to him for that purpose by the Pathologist, and keep a catalogue of all specimens placed in the Museum.

VII.—HOUSE STAFF.

1. The House Medical Staff shall consist of one or more Physicians and one or more Surgeons, who shall severally reside in the Hospital. To these may be added assistants as occasion may require.

Each of the House Staff shall sign an agreement, to be drawn up by the Prudential Committee, to remain in the service of the Hospital for a fixed period of time, and to conform to all rules and regulations.

2. At the expiration of their term of service, "Certificates of Service" shall be granted to the House Physician and Surgeon by the Board of Directors, on recommendation by the Medical Board.

VIII.—THE HOUSE PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.

1. The House Physician or House Surgeon shall examine patients applying for admission, determine what wards they shall occupy, subject to the approval of the Attending Physician or Surgeon, and if the condition of patients admits of it, shall order them to a warm bath before assigning them a bed.

2. The House Physician or House Surgeon shall visit each patient in their respective wards morning and evening, beginning their morning visit by nine o'clock, and their evening visit by seven o'clock, in order to be able to report the state of the patients to the Attending Physician or Surgeon. They shall enter in the prescription book the time of their visit, as well as record all prescriptions and directions for their administration in books to be kept for that purpose, of which there shall be one for each ward, and shall send a copy of the prescriptions with the renewals to the Apothecary, immediately after the visit of the Attending

Physician and Surgeon. They shall see that the medicines are regularly taken and promptly administered with care and neatness. There shall also be a "Special Diet" list in each ward, on which shall be recorded all orders for stimulants and extra articles of diet. This list must be written up by the House Physician or House Surgeon, in the afternoon for the following day, and be sent to the Superintendent before three o'clock P. M. The diet lists must be returned to the wards at or before six o'clock P. M.; they must be inspected and signed by the Attending Physician or Surgeon once a week. In cases of special need for the same day the House Physician or House Surgeon will give special orders to be written in duplicate in the "Special Order books" provided for that purpose; the original to go to the proper disbursing officer, the duplicate to remain attached as a voucher.

No beef tea or chicken soup will be furnished without the written order of the Attending Physician or Surgeon.

3. In any medical or surgical case of emergency, the House Physician or House Surgeon shall request the immediate attendance of the Attending Physician or Surgeon, or if he cannot be found, of any other physicians or surgeons of the Hospital.

4. The House Physician or House Surgeon shall in no case substitute his assistant in the performance of any duty specially incumbent on himself, except in a case of sudden illness or other emergency, or by permission of the Prudential Committee, or of the Attending Physician or Surgeon.

5. The House Physician or House Surgeon shall not remove patients from one ward to another, without the approval of the Superintendent, nor shall he discharge a patient without permission from the Attending Physician or Surgeon, and the concurrence of the Superintendent.

6. The House Physician and House Surgeon shall alternate weekly in examining patients for admission, and in the charge of patients admitted at night—so arranging that both duties shall not devolve at the same time upon either of them.

7. They shall not be absent at the usual hour of attendance of the physicians and surgeons. When either of them intend to go off the premises, he shall leave notice with the Superintendent; and record the fact of his absence and the time of his intended return, where it can be inspected.

The House Physician and House Surgeon must never be absent at the same time.

8. They shall not engage in any other business than that of the Hospital.

9. When a member of the House staff desires leave of absence from duty, he shall present to the Prudential Committee a petition in writing for the same, approved by his Visiting Physician or Surgeon, and the Committee may grant the leave of absence at their discretion. On the return of the House Physician or House Surgeon from a leave of absence, he shall hand his permit to the Superintendent; who shall note upon it the time of return, and place the paper on file.

10. Whenever any contagious or infectious disease is present in the Hospital, it shall be the duty of the House staff to isolate such cases, and, before they are returned to the general wards as convalescents, their bodies shall be cleansed and their clothing and bedding subjected to immediate and thorough disinfection.* It is especially enjoined upon the House staff, that they observe every precaution, by change of clothes, the use of disinfectants and avoidance of post-mortem examinations, which may be considered dangerous, against conveying such disease to other uninfected patients, especially to lying-in women and those having open wounds; it shall also be the duty of the House staff to inform the nurses and attendants of the necessity for such precautionary measures, and of the danger of inoculation through abrasions of the skin.

11. In midwifery cases, when labor commences, it shall be the duty of the House Physician to notify the Attending Physician, and when attended by unusual difficulty, especially if requiring the use of instruments, he shall request the advice and assistance of the Attending Physician. Except in cases of urgent necessity, the House Surgeon shall be disqualified from attending cases of midwifery.

IX.—ASSISTANTS TO THE HOUSE PHYSICIAN AND HOUSE SURGEON.

1. The Assistants shall attend the House Physician or House Surgeon in his morning visits to the patients, and shall also be

* The Medical Board for 1877, recommended as disinfectants: For clothing, heat, in the form of hot-air, boiling water or super-heated steam; for apartments, fumigation with chlorine, followed by thorough ventilation, and, when practicable, white-washing the walls and painting; for the hands, solution of permanganate of potassa or chlorinated soda.

present at the regular visit of the Attending Physician or Surgeon, and at such other times as he may direct, and shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to them.

2. The Senior Assistants shall, under the direction of the Attending Physician or Surgeon, keep a record of all medical and surgical cases which occur in their respective departments. In this record shall be entered the name, age, and occupation of each patient, the probable cause and history of his disease, the remedies used upon and after his admission, the name of the Attending Physician or Surgeon, his daily reports of the case, the termination either in recovery, relief or death, and such other circumstances as may tend to illustrate the case, the nature and treatment of the disease; and be prepared to submit their records to the Prudential Committee. It shall be the duty of the respective Junior Assistants to transcribe neatly and legibly every such record, when completed, into the case books. Said books shall be deposited in the Library and properly indexed.

3. It shall be also the special duty of the Senior Surgical Assistants to cleanse carefully all instruments after use, and return them to their proper places, and at surgical operations to admit only medical men in good standing, students invited by them, and such nurses and attendants as may be authorized to be present.

When the office of Assistants is vacant, the duties specified in Article 2 shall be performed by the House Physician and Surgeon.

4. All instruments and apparatus, except pocket-cases and thermometers, shall be kept in the place assigned for them, under the charge of the resident House Surgeon. He shall not permit instruments or apparatus to be removed from the Hospital.

5. The examination of candidates for appointment as Assistant to the resident House Physician and Surgeon shall be held when directed by the Medical Board.

X.—APOTHECARY.

1. The Apothecary shall make up all medicines prescribed, agreeably to the formulas from time to time directed by the Physicians and Surgeons. He shall deliver no medicine or other articles except by written order, nor shall he dispense medicine to any person outside of the Hospital except by direction of the Prudential Committee. He shall put up the medicines for each ward separately, and shall annex to them labels bearing the name

of the patient for whom prescribed, with printed or written directions for taking them, and he shall send them to each ward to be distributed to the patients. He shall keep splints, bandages, and muslin, of such sizes and in such quantities as shall be directed by the Attending Surgeon, and shall keep a book in which shall be entered the ward to which they are sent, in order that they may be returned to him when practicable.

2. He shall regularly attend the Dispensary, and never be absent without the Superintendent's permission. He shall keep the Dispensary and its belongings clean and in good order, and it shall remain open from 7 o'clock A. M. to 8 o'clock P. M. He shall observe careful economy in everything relating to his department, and permit no patient, attendant or other person to enter the Dispensary unnecessarily. No liquid medicines shall be put up in a larger than a four ounce phial, except infusions, decoctions, and those for external application.

XI.—OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

1. The Superintendent shall be the Executive Officer of the Board of Directors, and responsible to it for the good order of the House.

2. He shall have power to hire and dismiss all male nurses and all servants, male and female,—except those in the house-keeping department,—subject to the approval of the Prudential Committee; and it shall be his duty to dismiss any attendant who shall be guilty of profanity, drunkenness, neglect of duty or other gross misconduct, reporting his action and reason therefor to the Prudential Committee.

3. He shall purchase, under the direction of the Prudential Committee, furniture, provisions, medicines, and all other stores required for the Hospital, and shall attend to the issue of the same, keeping under his keys all wines, spirits, etc., and issuing daily, the requisite supplies for the day, to the Apothecary.

4. He shall keep in a book provided for that purpose, a regular and accurate account of all moneys received or disbursed by him on behalf of the Hospital, and a record of all such contracts as he may be authorized to make, which book, with the vouchers, shall be laid before the Prudential Committee.

5. He shall deposit all Hospital moneys coming into his hands with the Treasurer forthwith, and shall obtain a draft from the

Prudential Committee, upon the Treasurer, for such sums as may from time to time be required for the uses of the House. He shall account, in his statement of receipts and expenditures, for all moneys so received, which statement, with his vouchers, shall be laid before the Prudential Committee at their monthly meeting.

6. He shall submit to the Prudential Committee monthly, at their stated meetings, a roll of all persons employed upon the premises, showing how they are employed and their rate of compensation. He shall permit no one, except those entitled thereto by virtue of these regulations, to eat or sleep in or occupy any part of the Hospital premises without express permission from the Prudential Committee.

7. He shall visit every ward at least once a day, to see that the rules are obeyed, and shall make weekly a general inspection of all parts of the Hospital, at which time he shall require all attendants to be at their several posts and remain there until the inspection is concluded. He shall be responsible for the general cleanliness and order of the entire establishment, including the theater, out-buildings and grounds. He shall have the clothing of patients entering, cleansed and disinfected if necessary. He shall be responsible for the safety of the Hospital property, furniture, bedding, etc., keeping an inventory of the same, and semi-annually shall take an account of stock. He shall see that books given to the Hospital for the use of the patients are not lost or destroyed, and shall instruct the orderly to keep the names of patients borrowing books and see to their safe return. He shall see that the attendants are properly instructed in regard to their respective duties in case of an alarm of fire.

8. He shall see that the outer doors are locked at a seasonable hour, every evening, and all the buildings properly secured at night.

9. When a patient is dangerously ill, he shall notify (if possible) some relation or friend. If the patient desires to converse with a clergyman or religious person, he shall invite the person desired to attend, and while such person is present shall see that proper decorum is observed.

10. On the decease of a patient, the Superintendent shall cause the body to be removed as soon as conveniently may be, to the dead-house, and there safely kept until delivered to the friends or those responsible for its interment.

11. When any articles of value or other effects are left by a deceased patient, the Superintendent shall cause them to be labelled with the patient's name and the date of his decease, and hold them for the action of the Prudential Committee.

12. When a patient is discharged or dies, the Superintendent shall cause the fact to be recorded in the Register, mentioning the patient's condition (whether cured, relieved, etc.), if discharged, along with any circumstances attending his departure which might influence his future admission.

13. If any of the officers, nurses or attendants shall violate the regulations, or be guilty of any misconduct, it shall be the duty of the Superintendent to report the facts in writing to the Prudential Committee.

The Superintendent is expected to co-operate with the Head Nurse in her efforts for the comfort of the patients and well being of the Hospital, and to give due weight to her suggestions concerning these matters.

XII.—OF THE HEAD NURSE.

The Head Nurse shall receive the patients from the Superintendent, and arrange them in the places assigned them by the House Physician. She shall be responsible to the Medical staff for the care of the sick and wounded, shall direct in the house-keeping of the Hospital in all that pertains to the administration of the wards, to the preparation of the special diet, and to the work of the linen-closets.

She shall take charge of all private donations of clothing and delicacies, and distribute them to the patients, under the directions of the House Medical officers; keeping a list of articles, with names of donors.

She shall make requisition upon the Superintendent and Housekeeper for such things as she may require in the discharge of her duties; such requisitions to be entered in a book, and in all cases to be laid before the members of the Prudential Committee weekly, to be examined and countersigned.

Beyond this, she shall be responsible to the Committee of the Training School for the instruction of the Pupil Nurses, and the carrying out of all orders received from this Committee concerning the proper object of the school.

XIII.—OF THE HOUSEKEEPER.

1. The Housekeeper shall be appointed by the Prudential Committee. She shall superintend the housekeeping of the Hospital; engage and dismiss the servants in her own department subject to the approval of the Prudential Committee, who shall regulate the number of such employes and their wages; direct the servants in their work of keeping clean the wards and hall floors, walls, paint, staircases, closets, sinks, bathrooms, etc.; direct the work of the laundry and mending-room; oversee the cooking of food for the officers and pupil-nurses, and of the house diet for the patients; and shall be responsible for the faithful performance of these duties to the Superintendent and Head Nurse.

Note A.—Bath-rooms, water-closets and sinks to be cleaned, aired and disinfected daily.

Note B.—Ward-floors and window-sills to be swept and dusted daily, and washed once a week; oftener when necessary.

Note C.—Staircases and halls to be swept daily, and washed once a week.

Note D.—Windows and piazza-floors to be washed at the discretion of the Superintendent.

Note E.—The Housekeeper will keep a daily record in the store-room of all articles received by her from the Superintendent, and issued by her to the kitchen.

LAUNDRY.

2. All articles of bed or body clothing, bandages, etc., in use in the fever-wards, in the nursery, and in surgical cases, shall be sent to the laundry as soon as changed, and put immediately in soak; bandages and rags by themselves, with a disinfectant.

Bed-linen, towels and clothing in ordinary cases, shall be changed throughout once a week—oftener when necessary, and the soiled clothes sent to the laundry at once.

Washing for the officers, pupil nurses and family shall go to the laundry on Monday. Other washing reserved in the laundry closets for the rest of the week.

Duplicate lists of clothing for the wash shall be made out in each ward. In the Men's wards, the male nurse shall count over the clothing, and make it into bundles for the wash, in the presence of the Pupil Nurse, who shall take the lists of the same.

In the Women's wards, this duty shall be performed by the female servant, superintended by the Pupil Nurse.

The Housekeeper is responsible for the clothing from the time it leaves the wards until it is returned to the ward-linen closets.

Note.—All the articles, when washed, ironed and aired, shall be sent to a room set apart for the purpose, and known as the Mending-room, where the Housekeeper, with proper assistants, shall look them over; have all needful mending done; substitute whole articles for those needing repairs, and return to the ward-linen closets clothing and bedding corresponding to the lists of those sent to the wash. Bandages will be rolled and sent to the Dispensary, as also clean rags.

The Housekeeper shall make a note of losses, wear and tear, etc., of bedding, towels, clothing, etc., keeping a book for this purpose in the Mending-room, and shall present the same quarterly to the Superintendent.

She shall see that all clothing of patients sent to the laundry is properly marked, so as to ensure its safe return.

XIV.—OF HOSPITAL ATTENDANTS.

1. Hospital attendants shall be employed by the Superintendent, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, in such numbers as the services of the Hospital may require.

2. They shall be under the control of the Superintendent, and of the heads of the several departments in which they may be employed.

3. As far as practicable, they shall have assigned to them their regular duties, but will be expected to yield willing obedience to any reasonable requirements.

4. They shall give at least one week's notice to the Superintendent of their intention to leave the service of the Hospital, and may require the same notice when discharged, unless they may be dismissed for misconduct.

5. They shall not leave the Hospital without the permission of the Superintendent, who shall assign them their regular hours of duty and recreation. They shall respect all orders received from the Housekeeper and Head Nurse.

6. Those assigned to the wards as nurses shall attend to the general order of the ward, daily policing and weekly washing, and the care of the dining-room. In the women's wards the

Housekeeper shall appoint a woman servant to do this work. It shall be the duty of all attendants to consider the comfort of the patients, and to behave themselves with proper respect and decorum at all times.

7. No officer, nurse, or other attendant, shall receive any compensation, gift, or bequest, from any patient, unless authorized to do so by the Prudential Committee, through the Superintendent. Any male nurse may be suspended for cause by the Attending Physician or Surgeon until his case can be acted upon by the Prudential Committee. Any complaint against the pupil nurses shall be addressed by the Attending Physician to the Head Nurse, and reported by her to the Committee of the Training School. Dissatisfaction with the Head Nurse shall be reported to this Committee by the Physician.

8. The names of convalescents fit for light duty, who do not pay full board, shall be reported to the Superintendent each day by the House Physician, or House Surgeon, and posted in the office for the information of the Head Nurse and Housekeeper, who shall have the right to call upon such persons for service in wards or mending-room.

9. There shall be an orderly appointed as doorkeeper, and to collect the prescriptions and diet lists for the Dispensary and office, and return them to the wards at the proper hours; also, to give out books from the library and note to whom they are issued.

XV.—VISITORS.

Visitors are admitted to the Hospital on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, between the hours of $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $4\frac{1}{2}$ P. M.; and at no other times except by special permission of the Superintendent.

Visitors must not enter the wards at any time without the consent of the Superintendent or nurse in charge.

Visitors are not allowed to give any article of food or stimulant to any patient; but must hand them to the nurse in charge.

OF PATIENTS.

XVI.—THE ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

1. Cases of great urgency shall be admitted to the Hospital at any hour of the day or night.

2. Other patients will be admitted between 9 o'clock A. M. and 3 o'clock P. M. They must apply in person at the office of the Hospital, when they will be examined by one of the Medical Staff, and admitted by the Superintendent, subject to approval by the Prudential Committee. If unable to apply in person, they shall be visited at their homes by one of the Medical Staff.

3. No lunatic shall be admitted ; nor any patient suffering from Small Pox, Typhus Fever, Searlet Fever, Yellow Fever, Measles or Whooping Cough.

4. There shall be posted in the office daily the number of vacant beds, free and pay, for the information of the Examining Physician.

5. Application for the admission of patients living out of the city should be accompanied by a certificate from some respectable physician, stating the nature and probable duration of the disease, which certificate, with the application, will be referred to the Prudential Committee.

XVII.—RULES FOR PATIENTS.

1. All patients, on admission to the Hospital, shall, unless forbidden by the House Physician or House Surgeon, before being assigned a bed, be sent to the bath-room, washed from head to foot, and furnished with clean clothing from their own or from Hospital stores. If necessary, their hair shall be cut.

All patients able to leave their beds will wash themselves in the ward bath-rooms and comb their hair, immediately upon getting up in the morning.

Every person is expected to bathe the whole person once a week, unless otherwise ordered by the Attending Physician or Surgeon. It will be the duty of the men and women nurses in their respective wards to enforce this rule.

2. Patients must take off their hats in the wards, and their boots and shoes before lying down, and will be responsible for the neat appearance of their beds when not occupied during the day, and of their tables and window-shelves.

3. Patients admitted to the Hospital are forbidden to use profane or indecent language ; to express immoral or infidel sentiments ; to play at any game for money ; to smoke tobacco in the House, except in places provided for smoking, or to procure for themselves or others any intoxicating liquors.

4. No patient shall be allowed to have any books, pamphlets or newspapers of an immoral or indecent nature.

5. No male patient shall go into any of the women's wards, or any female patient into any of the men's wards.

6. No patient shall enter the deal-house, engine-room, kitchen, laundry, theatre, or any of the attendants' rooms, except by permission of the Superintendent or other officers of the House.

7. Every patient not forbidden by the Physician shall take the outside air either in the grounds or on the piazzas (weather permitting) each day. The nurses will enforce this rule in cold weather as near noon as possible. When desiring to go beyond the Hospital bounds, patients must obtain a card from the House Physician or Surgeon, at his morning round, stating that he has no objections, which card, when countersigned by the Superintendent, will serve them as a pass, and will be valid for the day it is given, but must be returned to the doorkeeper when the patient returns.

8. In exercising out of doors, patients will confine themselves to the graded walks, and not intrude upon the grass or cultivated grounds.

No fruit or vegetables shall be taken from the trees, vines or grounds, without permission of the Superintendent.

XVIII.—WARDS.

1. No bundles, carpet-bags, baskets or other baggage, will be allowed in the wards. All clothing, not in actual use, will be locked up in the ward closet.

2. No clothing of any kind will be allowed under the pillows, or tucked about the beds or window-sills. Towels must be hung in their appointed places. No packages of provisions or fruit will be allowed anywhere in the wards. Supplies sent by friends for special patients will be taken care of by the nurse of the ward.

3. No newspapers will be allowed spread over the bed-tables, and no accumulation of old papers and magazines will be allowed on the window-sills and tables.

4. Great care must be taken that nothing shall be thrown into bath tubs, basins, sinks or closets which can clog the drains.

Daily sweeping will be begun in the bath-rooms and the litter

brushed through the ward into the entry, and immediately taken up.

5. Rags used for dressing wounds, and too much soiled to go to the laundry, will be immediately carried down stairs and buried, or burned in the open air. No articles of any kind, clothing, towels, bandages or rags will on any account be washed out of the laundry.

6. No ward shall be left unattended ; when the nurse is necessarily absent, a substitute (convalescent or assistant) shall be on duty for the time and shall answer the call of the patients.

7. The watchman shall commence his duty at 9 P. M. and pass hourly through the men's wards until 6 A. M. Shall put out all unnecessary lights, preserve order in the convalescent ward, and give such assistance as he may be asked for by any nurse on duty.

XIX.—MEALS.

1. The Medical officers, head nurse, pupil nurses, houskeeper and apothecary will form one mess, taking their meals by themselves.

2. The superintendent and family may form one mess, taking their meals by themselves. Both these tables will be served and provided in the same manner.

3. Patients will be served with house diet or according to the directions of the Attending Physician or Surgeon.

4. All patients able to leave their beds will take their meals in the ward dining rooms.

5. All orders for special diet will be promptly filled, and the articles sent up on the lifts neatly served.

CHARTER,

By-Laws and Regulations

OF THE

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NEW HAVEN, Aug., 1883.

CHARTER

OF THE

GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STATE HOSPITAL.

SEC. 1.—*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened,* That Nathan Smith, M.D., Thomas Hubbard, Eli Todd, John S. Peters, Benjamin Silliman, Thomas Miner, William Leffingwell, John Skinner, Eli Ives, Jonathan Knight; and all such persons as are, or from time to time may be, associated with them for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a general hospital in the city of New Haven, and their successors, be, and they hereby are, incorporated for said purpose, and made a body politic, by the name of “THE GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT,” and by that name, shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, and may purchase, hold, sell and convey, *free from taxation,* property, real and personal to such an amount as may be necessary for the charitable purposes of said society;†* may have a common seal, and the same may alter and change at pleasure, and may make and execute such by-laws and regulations, not contrary to the laws of this State or of the United States, as shall be deemed necessary for well ordering and conducting the concerns of the society. *Said society shall make a report to the General Assembly annually, of the condition of its hospital, number of patients, and state of its finances, including its receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year next preceding.†*

SEC. 2.—That said society shall be governed by the principles of the constitution comprised in the following articles:

* Act of 1834.

† Act of 1873.

CONSTITUTION OF THE GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

ART. I.—The General Hospital Society of Connecticut, shall be composed of those subscribers whose benefactions amount to either of the subsequent sums—*Persons contributing at any one time for the use of said society the sum of fifty dollars, shall be members thereof for life ; persons contributing at any one time the sum of twenty-five dollars, shall be members for ten years.** The president and fellows of the Connecticut Medical Society, shall be ex-officio members of the society.

ART. II.—The members of the society shall meet annually for the choice of directors, and for the transaction of any other business not delegated to its officers.

ART. III.—There shall be two classes of directors ; one to hold their office for life, the other annually appointed ; *persons contributing at any one time for the use of said society the sum of five hundred dollars, shall be directors thereof for life. The society shall annually choose, by ballot, four directors, and [may annually choose by ballot additional directors not exceeding in number*] as many more as may at any time be necessary to make the number of elected directors equal to that of the life directors. The elected directors now in office, shall, before the next annual meeting of the society enroll themselves by lot into three classes of four each ; one class to hold office for two years from and after said annual meeting ; one class to hold office for one year from and after said meeting ; and one class to hold office until said meeting ; and all directors hereafter elected shall hold office for three years, and until others are chosen in their stead ;* provided, that every additional director, over the number of four, who may be elected at any annual meeting, shall hold office for such term not exceeding three years, nor less than one year, as said society may fix and prescribe.† Any six of said elected directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.‡*

ART. IV.—There shall be an annual meeting of the directors, at which six of said elected directors‡ shall constitute a quorum to choose a president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary, prudential committee, visitors, attending physicians and surgeons, and such other officers as may be necessary.

ART. V.—The elected vice-president shall have the privileges of a director. Those persons who pay *one thousand dollars and upwards** shall be vice-presidents for life.

* Act of 1873.

† Act of 1874.

‡ Act of 1854.

ART. VI.—The treasurer having given adequate security for the faithful discharge of his duties, shall receive the funds of the society, and pay the same to the order of the prudential committee. He shall present a copy of his accounts every quarter to the prudential committee, and every year present a financial report to the society.

ART. VII.—The secretary shall keep an accurate register of the members of the society for each year, and record the transactions of both society and directors: he shall also report at each meeting of the society, the names of those who during the preceding year have become members of the society, and also of those who have withdrawn their patronage.

ART. VIII.—The prudential committee shall consist of three; they shall be subject to the regulations of the directors, manage the economical and financial concerns of the hospital, and shall meet as often as there may be occasion, to regulate the admission and discharge of patients, and for the transaction of the ordinary business of the hospital.

ART. IX.—The visitors shall be six in number, of whom two at least shall visit the hospital every month, and as frequently as they may deem proper; they shall enquire into the economical and moral concerns of the hospital, suggest improvements and designate abuses, in a report every two months, to the prudential committee.

ART. X.—A board of physicians and surgeons, consisting of six in number, shall be elected by the directors, at their annual meeting. The attending physicians and surgeons shall receive no compensation for their services.

ART. XI.—The hospital shall be a charitable institution; and patients belonging to this State, shall in all cases be preferred.

ART. XII.—*Any person contributing at any one time for the use of the society the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, shall be entitled during his life to nominate and keep, from time to time, subject to the rules of the society, one person as a patient in the hospital of said society, who shall have the benefits thereof free of expense, and who may be removed and his place supplied at the pleasure of such contributor. Any person contributing at any one time the sum of one thousand dollars, shall be entitled to the same privilege for any three months which he may select in each year and every year of his life; and all persons so*

*contributing one thousand dollars and upwards, shall be vice-presidents of said society for life.**

ART. XIII.—The directors shall from time to time make regulations for the admission of patients, and for the discharge of such as are deemed incurable, or such others as are not considered proper subjects for hospital privileges.

SEC. 3.—That the first meeting of said society shall be held at the State House in New Haven, at such time as shall be appointed by Nathan Smith, Thomas Hubbard, Eli Todd, John S. Peters, Benjamin Silliman, Thomas Miner, William Leffingwell, John Skinner, Eli Ives and Jonathan Knight, or a majority of them, and by them notified by advertisement in a newspaper printed in each of the towns of Hartford, New Haven and Middletown, at least three weeks before the time fixed for such meeting; and the annual and other meetings of said society, shall thereafter be holden at such times and places, and be warned in such manner, as said society shall from time to time direct.

SEC. 4.—That said society shall have power with the assent of the commissioners to be appointed under this act, by their vote in legal meeting, warned with express notice of that object, to fix the location and to approve or prescribe the style and extent of the buildings, and other accommodations for the use of the hospital; and no expenditure of the funds of said society shall be made by the officers thereof in the purchase of lands, or in the erection of buildings, but in pursuance of such vote or votes of said society.

SEC. 5.—*And be it further enacted*, That the Governor for the time being, with two other commissioners to be appointed by the General Assembly, shall superintend the general concerns of said hospital; make such occasional visits as they may deem expedient, and report to the legislature from time to time concerning the affairs of the hospital.

Provided nevertheless, that this act or any part thereof may be altered or repealed by the General Assembly.

* Act of 1873.

BY-LAWS

OF THE

GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

I.—MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the society shall be held at the hospital in New Haven, on the last Thursday of January in each year, at such time as the president and secretary may direct. Notice of all meetings shall be published in at least two daily newspapers printed in New Haven, for at least three days preceding such meeting.

II.—MEETINGS OF THE DIRECTORS.

The annual meeting of the directors shall be held on the day following the annual meeting of the society, and other stated meetings shall be held on the third Friday of April, July and October in each year.

Special meetings of the directors shall be called by order of the president whenever, in his opinion, the business of the society requires it, or when requested in writing by any five of the directors. And when special meetings are so called, he shall direct the secretary to insert in the notices to the members the import of the business to come before them, and such notices shall be served at least two days previous to the time appointed for the meeting, when practicable.

III.—DIRECTORS' REPORT.

At each annual meeting of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut the board of directors shall make a report to the society of the condition of the hospital and of their action during the year.

IV.—OF THE PRESIDENT.

The president of the society shall preside at the meetings of the board of directors. He shall call special meetings of the board and of the society whenever, in his opinion, the business of the society requires it, or when requested so to do in writing by five directors, to be held at such place in the city of New Haven as he may think proper.

V.—OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT.

In case of the absence of the president, the elected vice-president shall possess his powers and perform his duties.

VI.—OF THE TREASURER.

The treasurer having given bonds to the satisfaction of the finance committee, shall have the custody of all bonds, titles, deeds, and other papers and documents relating to the property of the corporation, and of all moneys belonging thereto. He shall open an account with one of the banks in the city of New Haven, to be approved by the board, in the name of this corporation, and shall deposit all moneys in such bank immediately upon his receiving them. He shall keep a proper check and account-book, showing the amount of funds in his hands, which shall at all suitable times be open to the inspection of the directors. At each stated meeting he shall present an account, or an abstract thereof, showing the state of the treasury. He shall pay all orders which shall be drawn upon him in the manner hereafter prescribed. He shall execute such resolutions as may be adopted by the committee of finance relative to the investment of funds, in compliance with article IX of the by-laws. He shall prepare and lay before the members of the society at their annual meeting a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the preceding year, of the funds of the society, and of the manner in which the same are invested.

VII.—OF THE SECRETARY.

The secretary shall keep the minutes of the proceedings of the society and of the board of directors, and shall give true copies of the same when requested by the directors or any one of them. He shall preserve all the records and papers which belong to his office, and they shall at all times be open to the inspection of any director. He shall notify the directors of every meeting of the board, by notice addressed to them through the Post Office, or otherwise, at least two days, when practicable, before the meeting; and shall give similar notice of the meetings of the society, by publication in at least two daily city papers, for at least three days preceding such meeting. He shall also cause notice to be given to the chairman of each committee, of the names of the members thereof, and the object for which they may be appointed. And he shall cause every person appointed on any standing committee or on the medical board to be notified of his appointment.

VIII.—ELECTION OF COMMITTEES.

The directors shall elect by ballot, at their annual meeting, a prudential committee and a committee of finance, each to consist of three members; an auditing committee of two members, a superintendent, and a board of six visitors, who shall hold office during the year, and until others are elected in their stead, unless otherwise ordered by the board. Any vacancies occurring during the year may be filled in like manner.

IX.—OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

It shall be the duty of the committee on finance to adopt proper means of augmenting the subscriptions and benefactions, to circulate information respecting the hospital, to see that the subscriptions are duly received, and to direct the treasurer in investing the funds, when not otherwise ordered by the prudential committee.

X.—OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.

1. The prudential committee shall consist of three. They shall give such orders and establish such regulations as they shall think proper to carry into effect the objects of this institution; provided such orders and regulations be not inconsistent with those established by the board of directors.

2. They shall receive or reject applicants for admission in accordance with the regulations upon that subject, and shall determine whether the applicant shall be received as a free or pay patient, and in the latter case they shall fix the rate of payment; but they shall admit no person without a previous examination by one of the medical staff.

3. They shall meet at the hospital at least once in each week; but in the interval between their meetings, and when the circumstances of the case shall require it, the superintendent may act as their representative in the admission of patients, reporting his action in each case to the committee at their next meeting.

4. They shall see that no patient is allowed to remain in the hospital unnecessarily, or to the detriment of the institution.

5. They may, at their discretion, discharge any patient or hospital attendant for disorderly conduct.

6. They shall have general charge of all property within the precincts of the hospital, and authorize such repairs and disbursements as may from time to time be necessary; but no extraordinary expenditure shall be authorized exceeding one hundred dollars per month, except by the board. They shall examine as to whether economy is observed in the several departments of the hospital, the quantity and quality of the food and medicines furnished, and the consumption of liquors for hospital purposes. They shall, once a week, inspect all the hospital buildings, visit the wards and dead-house, laundry, water and bathing closets, inquire into the behavior of the house officers, the nurses and attendants, and the cleanliness and order of all parts of the hospital and grounds.

7. They shall audit all bills and accounts, and when approved shall draw orders on the treasurer for the payment thereof, to be signed by at least two members. They shall keep a book of minutes, and enter therein on each visiting day their proceedings and observations, which book shall be laid before the board at every stated meeting.

XI.—OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The office of the auditing committee shall be to examine the treasurer's accounts at the close of each year, prior to the annual meeting, and report thereon.

XII.—OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS.

The board of visitors shall visit the hospital at least once each week. They shall inquire into the economical administration of the hospital, and such other matters as are connected with the care and comfort of the patients. They shall be careful to make all recommendations and suggestions in writing to the prudential committee, and shall report all reasonable complaints from patients.

XIII.—OF FREE BEDS.

If any person has given, within the year past, or shall hereafter give to the society during any twelve months the sum of five thousand dollars, he and his heirs and assigns shall be entitled to nominate patients to one free bed in the hospital of the society from time to time, forever; not more than one patient to be nominated by the same person at any one time. If any person shall give the society during any twelve months the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, he and his heirs and assigns shall be entitled to nominate patients to one free bed in the hospital of the society from time to time, during, not exceeding, six months in each year, forever; not more than one patient to be nominated by the same person at any one time.* All sums given or to be given and appropriated for the maintenance of free beds shall be invested and kept as a special and perpetual fund, the income only to be used for the support of the hospital.

XIV.—ALTERATIONS OR ADDITIONS.

No alteration of, or additions to, these by-laws shall be made, unless proposed in writing to this society by at least twelve directors, of whom six shall be elected directors.

*This By-Law is of later date than Article XII of the Charter, and gives to the donor of twenty-five hundred dollars his choice between the free bed here described and that provided by the Charter for donors of the same amount.

REGULATIONS

OF THE

GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

I.—APPOINTMENTS.

All physicians and surgeons connected with the hospital shall be elected by ballot, by the board of directors, at their annual meeting, for the year commencing February 1st next ensuing. Any vacancies occurring during the year may be filled in like manner from candidates nominated by the medical board.

II.—MEDICAL BOARD.

1. There shall be four or more consulting physicians and surgeons; there shall be six attending physicians and five attending surgeons, one of whom shall be termed a gynecologist, two of whom shall be termed senior surgeons and two junior surgeons.

They shall receive no pay for their services in the hospital.

2. The medical board shall consist of the consulting and attending physicians and surgeons, four of its members constituting a quorum.

3. The medical board shall meet regularly on the first Saturday of each month, and at the first regular meeting in February of each year shall elect a President, Vice-President, and Secretary, who shall perform the customary duties of those offices respectively.

4. Special meetings of the medical board may be called by its president or by the board of directors.

5. The medical board shall make rules for the internal management of the hospital, so far as the medical staff is concerned, subject to the approval of the board of directors, and not inconsistent with existing by-laws.

6. The medical board shall advise the board of directors in all matters pertaining to the health and physical well-being of the patients. They shall regulate the diet of the patients and the manner and time of giving clinical instruction; they shall also appoint suitable persons as house medical staff and apothecary.

7. The medical board at its discretion shall examine all applicants for appointment on the house medical staff. A competitive examination shall be held, and the candidates who are found best qualified shall be appointed to fill vacancies.

III.—CONSULTING PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.

The consulting physicians and surgeons shall be considered as counsellors, and shall be invited to attend all capital operations and to advise in the treatment of obscure and important cases.

IV.—ATTENDING PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.

1. The hospital shall be divided into one medical and one surgical department.

2*a*. There shall be assigned to the medical department six physicians, whose several terms of service during the year shall be two months.

2*b*. There shall be assigned to the surgical department two senior and two junior surgeons, and one gynecologist.

The senior surgeons shall serve alternately for periods of three months each.

The attending senior surgeon shall visit the hospital on each Saturday, and shall be accompanied by the attending junior surgeon. He shall visit the hospital and accompany the junior on his regular daily visits, at other times, when the welfare of the patients requires it, or when requested to do so for the purpose of consultation or operation.

All capital operations shall be performed by or under the direction, when practicable, of the attending senior surgeon. When possible, a consultation of all the medical board shall be called.

The junior surgeons shall serve alternately for periods of two months each.

The gynecologist shall be on duty during the year, visiting the hospital at least twice a week. In case of absence he shall provide a substitute from among the attending staff.

The attending physician and junior surgeon shall visit the hospital once daily, at such hour as the medical board may direct, and in cases of emergency at such other times as each may deem necessary. The junior surgeon shall assist the senior surgeon in all capital operations, and shall have general charge of the treatment of patients, subject to the approval of the senior surgeon.

3. The physicians and surgeons having charge of each department shall so arrange that one or the other shall visit their department each day.

4. The attending physicians and surgeons shall have the entire direction of the treatment of the patients. They shall also exercise a supervision of the condition of the wards, the behavior of the orderlies and nurses, and the character of the food of the patients, and report to the prudential committee. They may give clinical instruction, illustrated by the patients in their respective departments, to such practitioners of medicine and students as are admitted to the hospital.

5. The attending physicians and surgeons on duty may be present at the meetings of the prudential committee, to confer with them on the management of the house.

V.—PATHOLOGIST.

1. A pathologist shall be appointed by the board of directors, upon the nomination of the medical board.

2. All post mortem examinations upon persons dying in the hospital shall be made under the direction of the pathologist, when practicable.

3. All post-mortem examinations shall be made at an appointed hour, and not until a reasonable time after the death of a patient.

4. All pathological specimens shall be the property of the hospital; and shall be kept in a suitable place, to be provided by the prudential committee.

5. The pathologist may give instruction in pathological anatomy in the autopsy-room.

6. The pathologist shall have charge of the post-mortem instruments.

7. The pathologist may appoint an assistant, subject to the approval of the medical board.

VI.—CURATOR.

1. The assistant to the pathologist shall be *ex-officio* curator of the museum.

2. He shall have charge of the hospital museum, and of the necessary apparatus for preserving specimens.

3. He shall prepare for the museum all such specimens as may be delivered to him for that purpose by the pathologist, and keep a catalogue of all specimens placed in the museum.

VII.—HOUSE STAFF.

1. The house medical staff shall consist of one or more physicians and one or more surgeons, who shall severally reside in the hospital. To these may be added assistants as occasion may require.

Each of the house staff shall sign an agreement, to be drawn up by the prudential committee, to remain in the service of the hospital for a fixed period of time, and to conform to all rules and regulations.

2. At the expiration of their term of service, "Certificates of Service" shall be granted to the house physician and surgeon by the board of directors, on joint recommendation by the medical board and the prudential committee.

VIII.—THE HOUSE PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.

1. The house physician or house surgeon shall examine patients applying for admission, determine what wards they shall occupy, subject to the approval of the attending physician or surgeon, and, if the condition of patients admits of it, shall order them to a warm bath before assigning them a bed.

2. The house physician or house surgeon shall visit each patient in their respective wards at least morning and evening, beginning their morning visit by nine o'clock, and their evening visit by seven o'clock, in order to be able to report the state of the patients to the attending physician or surgeon. They shall enter in the prescription book the time of their visit, as well as record all prescriptions and directions for their administration in books to be kept for that purpose, of which there shall be one for each ward, and shall send a copy of the prescriptions with the renewals to the apothecary, immediately after the visit of the attending physician and surgeon. They shall see that the medicines are regularly taken and promptly administered with care and neat-

ness. There shall also be a special diet list in each ward, on which shall be recorded all orders for stimulants and extra articles of diet. This list must be written up by the house physician or house surgeon, in the afternoon for the following day, and be sent to the superintendent before three o'clock p. m. The diet lists must be returned to the wards at or before six o'clock p. m.; they must be inspected and signed by the attending physician or surgeon once a week. In cases of special need for the same day the house physician or house surgeon will give special orders to be written in duplicate in the special order books provided for that purpose; the original to go to the proper disbursing officer, the duplicate to remain attached as a voucher.

No beef tea or chicken soup will be furnished without the written order of the attending physician or surgeon.

3. In any medical or surgical case of emergency, the house physician or house surgeon shall request the immediate attendance of the attending physician or surgeon, or, if he cannot be found, of any other physicians or surgeons of the hospital.

4. The house physician or house surgeon shall in no case substitute his assistant in the performance of any duty specially incumbent on himself, except in a case of sudden illness or other emergency, or by permission of the prudential committee, or of the attending physician or surgeon.

5. The house physician or house surgeon shall not remove patients from one ward to another, without the approval of the superintendent, nor shall he discharge a patient without permission from the attending physician or surgeon, and the concurrence of the superintendent.

6. The house physician and house surgeon shall alternate weekly in examining patients for admission, and in the charge of patients admitted at night—so arranging that both duties shall not devolve at the same time upon either of them.

7. They shall not be absent at the usual hour of attendance of the physicians and surgeons. When either of them intends to go off the premises, he shall leave notice with the superintendent; and record the fact of his absence and the time of his intended return, where it can be inspected.

The house physician and house surgeon must never be absent at the same time.

8. They shall not engage in any other business than that of the hospital.

9. When a member of the house staff desires leave of absence

from duty, he shall present to the prudential committee a petition in writing for the same, approved by his visiting physician or surgeon, and the committee may grant the leave of absence at their discretion. On the return of the house physician or house surgeon from a leave of absence, he shall hand his permit to the superintendent, who shall note upon it the time of return, and place the paper on file.

10. Whenever any contagious or infectious disease is present in the hospital, it shall be the duty of the house staff to isolate such cases, and, before they are returned to the general wards as convalescents, their bodies shall be cleansed and their clothing and bedding subjected to immediate and thorough disinfection.* It is especially enjoined upon the house staff, that they observe every precaution, by change of clothes, the use of disinfectants and avoidance of post-mortem examinations, which may be considered dangerous, against conveying such disease to other uninfected patients, especially to lying-in women and those having open wounds; it shall also be the duty of the house staff to inform the nurses and attendants of the necessity for such precautionary measures, and of the danger of inoculation through abrasions of the skin.

11. In midwifery cases, when labor commences, it shall be the duty of the house physician to notify the attending physician, and when attended by unusual difficulty, especially if requiring the use of instruments, he shall request the advice and assistance of the attending physician. Except in cases of urgent necessity, the house surgeon shall be disqualified from attending cases of midwifery.

IX.—ASSISTANTS TO THE HOUSE PHYSICIAN AND HOUSE SURGEON.

1. The assistants shall attend the house physician or house surgeon in his morning visits to the patients, and shall also be present at the regular visit of the attending physician or surgeon, and at such other times as he may direct, and shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to them.

*The Medical Board for 1877 recommended as disinfectants: For clothing, heat, in the form of hot-air, boiling water or super-heated steam; for apartments, fumigation with chlorine, followed by thorough ventilation. and, when practicable, white-washing the walls and painting; for the hands, solution of permanganate of potassa or chlorinated soda.

2. The senior assistants shall, under the direction of the attending physician or surgeon, keep a record of all medical and surgical cases which occur in their respective departments. In this record shall be entered the name, age, and occupation of each patient, the probable cause and history of his disease, the remedies used upon and after his admission, the name of the attending physician or surgeon, his daily reports of the case, the termination either in recovery, relief or death, and such other circumstances as may tend to illustrate the case, the nature and treatment of the disease; and be prepared to submit their records to the prudential committee. It shall be the duty of the respective junior assistants to transcribe neatly and legibly every such record, when completed, into the case books. Said books shall be deposited in the library and properly indexed.

3. It shall be also the special duty of the senior surgical assistants to cleanse carefully all instruments after use, and return them to their proper places, and at surgical operations to admit only medical men in good standing, students invited by them, and such nurses and attendants as may be authorized to be present.

When the office of assistant is vacant, the duties specified in Article 2 shall be performed by the house physician and surgeon.

4. All instruments and apparatus, except pocket-cases and thermometers, shall be kept in the place assigned for them, under the charge of the resident house surgeon. He shall not permit instruments or apparatus to be removed from the hospital.

5. The examination of candidates for appointment as assistant to the resident house physician and surgeon shall be held when directed by the medical board.

X.—APOTHECARY.

1. The apothecary shall make up all medicines prescribed, agreeably to the formulas from time to time directed by the physicians and surgeons. He shall deliver no medicine or other articles except by written order, nor shall he dispense medicine to any person outside of the hospital except by direction of the prudential committee. He shall put up the medicines for each ward separately, and shall annex to them labels bearing the name of the patient for whom prescribed, with printed or written directions for taking them, and he shall send them to each ward to be distributed to the patients. He shall keep splints, bandages, and muslin, of such sizes and in such quantities as shall be directed

4. He shall keep in a book provided for that purpose a regular and accurate account of all moneys received or disbursed by him on behalf of the hospital, and a record of all such contracts as he may be authorized to make, which book, with the vouchers, shall be laid before the prudential committee.

5. He shall deposit all hospital moneys coming into his hands with the treasurer forthwith, and shall obtain a draft from the prudential committee upon the treasurer, for such sums as may from time to time be required for the uses of the house. He shall account, in his statement of receipts and expenditures, for all moneys so received, which statement, with his vouchers, shall be laid before the prudential committee at their monthly meeting.

RULES

Adopted by the Board of Directors April 18, 1884.

1. HISTORIES.

The house physician shall take the anamnesis and present condition of medical patients on their entrance, and have such account ready for their attending physician at his next visit, with any required amendments, which shall then be given to the assistant to copy in a permanent form.

b. The house physician shall carry with him, on his own rounds and on his rounds with the attending physician, a note book for entering points in the current histories.

c. The surgical histories shall be taken in the same way, except that the anamnesis and condition on entrance shall be taken by the assistant.

2. DUTIES OF THE ASSISTANT.

a. The assistant shall make urine examinations.

b. He shall take charge of the surgical instruments.

c. He shall have charge of erysipelas patients.

d. He shall give ether at surgical operations unless septicly disqualified in the opinion of the surgeon operating.

e. In the absence of the house physician or house surgeon, he shall assume the duties of the absentee.

3. DUTIES OF THE HOUSE PHYSICIAN.

a. The house physician shall have charge of the electrical apparatus.

b. He shall give ether at operations, when the assistant is absent or disqualified.

X.—APOTHECARY.

1. The apothecary shall make up all medicines prescribed, agreeably to the formulas from time to time directed by the physicians and surgeons. He shall deliver no medicine or other articles except by written order, nor shall he dispense medicine to any person outside of the hospital except by direction of the prudential committee. He shall put up the medicines for each ward separately, and shall annex to them labels bearing the name of the patient for whom prescribed, with printed or written directions for taking them, and he shall send them to each ward to be distributed to the patients. He shall keep splints, bandages, and muslin, of such sizes and in such quantities as shall be directed

by the attending surgeon, and shall keep a book in which shall be entered the ward to which they are sent, in order that they may be returned to him when practicable.

2. He shall regularly attend the dispensary, and never be absent without the superintendent's permission. He shall keep the dispensary and its belongings clean and in good order, and it shall remain open from 7 o'clock A. M. to 8 o'clock P. M. He shall observe careful economy in everything relating to his department, and permit no patient, attendant or other person to enter the dispensary unnecessarily. No liquid medicines shall be put up in a larger than a four ounce phial, except infusions, decoctions, and those for external application.

XI.—OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

1. The superintendent shall be the executive officer of the board of directors, and responsible to it for the good order of the house.

2. He shall have power to hire and dismiss all male nurses and all servants, male and female,—except those in the house-keeping department—subject to the approval of the prudential committee; and it shall be his duty to dismiss any attendant who shall be guilty of profanity, drunkenness, neglect of duty or other gross misconduct, reporting his action and reason therefor to the prudential committee.

3. He shall purchase, under the direction of the prudential committee, furniture, provisions, medicines, and all other stores required for the hospital, and shall attend to the issue of the same, keeping under his keys all wines, spirits, etc., and issuing daily, the requisite supplies for the day, to the apothecary.

4. He shall keep in a book provided for that purpose a regular and accurate account of all moneys received or disbursed by him on behalf of the hospital, and a record of all such contracts as he may be authorized to make, which book, with the vouchers, shall be laid before the prudential committee.

5. He shall deposit all hospital moneys coming into his hands with the treasurer forthwith, and shall obtain a draft from the prudential committee upon the treasurer, for such sums as may from time to time be required for the uses of the house. He shall account, in his statement of receipts and expenditures, for all moneys so received, which statement, with his vouchers, shall be laid before the prudential committee at their monthly meeting.

6. He shall submit to the prudential committee monthly, at their stated meetings, a roll of all persons employed upon the premises, showing how they are employed and their rate of compensation. He shall permit no one, except those entitled thereto by virtue of these regulations, to eat or sleep in or occupy any part of the hospital premises without express permission from the prudential committee.

7. He shall visit every ward at least once a day, to see that the rules are obeyed, and shall make weekly a general inspection of all parts of the hospital, at which time he shall require all attendants to be at their several posts and remain there until the inspection is concluded. He shall be responsible for the general cleanliness and order of the entire establishment, including the theater, out-buildings and grounds. He shall have the clothing of patients entering cleansed and disinfected if necessary. He shall be responsible for the safety of the hospital property, furniture, bedding, etc., keeping an inventory of the same, and semi-annually shall take an account of stock. He shall see that books given to the hospital for the use of the patients are not lost or destroyed, and shall instruct the orderly to keep the names of patients borrowing books and see to their safe return. He shall see that the attendants are properly instructed in regard to their respective duties in case of an alarm of fire.

8. He shall see that the outer doors are locked at a seasonable hour, every evening, and all the buildings properly secured at night.

9. When a patient is dangerously ill, he shall notify (if possible) some relation or friend. If the patient desires to converse with a clergyman or religious person, he shall invite the person desired to attend, and while such person is present shall see that proper decorum is observed.

10. On the decease of a patient, the superintendent shall cause the body to be removed as soon as conveniently may be, to the dead-house, and there safely kept until delivered to the friends or those responsible for its interment.

11. When any articles of value or other effects are left by a deceased patient, the superintendent shall cause them to be labeled with the patient's name and the date of his decease, and hold them for the action of the prudential committee.

12. When a patient is discharged or dies, the superintendent shall cause the fact to be recorded in the register, mentioning the patient's condition (whether cured, relieved, etc.), if dis-

charged, along with any circumstances attending his departure which might influence his future admission.

13. If any of the officers, nurses or attendants shall violate the regulations, or be guilty of any misconduct, it shall be the duty of the superintendent to report the facts in writing to the prudential committee.

The superintendent is expected to co-operate with the head nurse in her efforts for the comfort of the patients and well being of the hospital, and to give due weight to her suggestions concerning these matters.

XII.—OF THE HEAD NURSE.

The head nurse shall receive the patients from the superintendent, and arrange them in the places assigned them by the house physician. She shall be responsible to the medical staff for the care of the sick and wounded, shall direct in the house-keeping of the hospital in all that pertains to the administration of the wards, to the preparation of the special diet, and to the work of the linen-closets.

She shall take charge of all private donations of clothing and delicacies, and distribute them to the patients, under the directions of the house medical officers; keeping a list of articles, with names of donors.

She shall make requisition upon the superintendent and housekeeper for such things as she may require in the discharge of her duties; such requisitions to be entered in a book, and in all cases to be laid before the members of the prudential committee weekly, to be examined and countersigned.

Beyond this, she shall be responsible to the committee of the training school for the instruction of the pupil nurses, and the carrying out of all orders received from this committee concerning the proper object of the school.

XIII.—OF THE HOUSEKEEPER.

1. The housekeeper shall be appointed by the prudential committee. She shall superintend the housekeeping of the hospital; engage and dismiss the servants in her own department subject to the approval of the prudential committee, who shall regulate the number of such employes and their wages; direct the servants in their work of keeping clean the wards and hall floors, walls, paint, staircases, closets, sinks, bathrooms, etc.;

direct the work of the laundry and mending-room ; oversee the cooking of food for the officers and pupil-nurses, and of the house diet for the patients ; and shall be responsible for the faithful performance of these duties to the superintendent and head nurse.

Note A.—Bath-rooms, water-closets, and sinks to be cleaned, aired and disinfected daily.

Note B.—Ward-floors and window-sills to be swept and dusted daily, and washed once a week ; oftener when necessary.

Note C.—Staircases and halls to be swept daily, and washed once a week.

Note D.—Windows and piazza-floors to be washed at the discretion of the superintendent.

Note E.—The housekeeper will keep a daily record in the store-room of all articles received by her from the superintendent, and issued by her to the kitchen.

2. All articles of bed or body clothing, bandages, etc., in use in the fever-wards, in the nursery, and in surgical cases, shall be sent to the laundry as soon as changed, and put immediately in soak ; bandages and rags by themselves, with a disinfectant.

Bed-linen, towels and clothing in ordinary cases, shall be changed throughout once a week—oftener when necessary, and the soiled clothes sent to the laundry at once.

Washing for the officers, pupil nurses and family shall go to the laundry on Monday. Other washing reserved in the laundry closets for the rest of the week.

Duplicate lists of clothing for the wash shall be made out in each ward. In the men's wards, the male nurse shall count over the clothing, and make it into bundles for the wash, in the presence of the pupil nurse, who shall take the lists of the same. In the women's wards, this duty shall be performed by the female servant, superintended by the pupil nurse.

The housekeeper is responsible for the clothing from the time it leaves the wards until it is returned to the ward-linen closets.

Note.—All the articles, when washed, ironed and aired, shall be sent to a room set apart for the purpose, and known as the mending-room, where the housekeeper, with proper assistants, shall look them over ; have all needful mending done ; substitute whole articles for those needing repairs, and return to the ward linen closets clothing and bedding corresponding to the lists of those sent to the wash. Bandages will be rolled and sent to the dispensary, as also clean rags.

The housekeeper shall make a note of losses, wear and tear, etc., of bedding, towels, clothing, etc., keeping a book for this purpose in the mending-room, and shall present the same quarterly to the superintendent.

She shall see that all clothing of patients sent to the laundry is properly marked, so as to ensure its safe return.

XIV.—OF HOSPITAL ATTENDANTS.

1. Hospital attendants shall be employed by the superintendent, with the approval of the prudential committee, in such numbers as the services of the hospital may require.

2. They shall be under the control of the superintendent, and of the heads of the several departments in which they may be employed.

3. As far as practicable, they shall have assigned to them their regular duties, but will be expected to yield willing obedience to any reasonable requirement.

4. They shall give at least one week's notice to the superintendent of their intention to leave the service of the hospital, and may require the same notice when discharged, unless they may be dismissed for misconduct.

5. They shall not leave the Hospital without the permission of the superintendent, who shall assign them their regular hours of duty and recreation. They shall respect all orders received from the housekeeper and head nurse.

6. Those assigned to the wards as nurses shall attend to the general order of the ward, daily policing and weekly washing, and the care of the dining room. In the women's wards the housekeeper shall appoint a woman servant to do this work. It shall be the duty of all attendants to consider the comfort of the patients, and to behave themselves with proper respect and decorum at all times.

7. No officer, nurse, or other attendant, shall receive any compensation, gift, or bequest, from any patient, unless authorized to do so by the prudential committee, through the superintendent. Any male nurse may be suspended for cause by the attending physician or surgeon until his case can be acted upon by the prudential committee. Any complaint against the pupil nurses shall be addressed by the attending physician, to the head nurse, and reported by her to the committee of the training school. Dissatisfaction with the head nurse shall be reported to this committee by the physician.

8. The names of convalescents fit for light duty, who do not pay full board, shall be reported to the superintendent each day by the house physician, or house surgeon, and posted in the office for the information of the head nurse and housekeeper, who shall have the right to call upon such persons for service in wards or mending-room.

9. There shall be an orderly appointed as doorkeeper, and to collect the prescriptions and diet lists for the dispensary and office, and return them to the wards at the proper hours; also, to give out books from the library and note to whom they are issued.

XV.—VISITORS.

Visitors are admitted to the hospital on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, between the hours of $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $4\frac{1}{2}$ P. M.; and at no other times except by special permission of the superintendent.

Visitors must not enter the wards at any time without the consent of the superintendent or nurse in charge.

Visitors are not allowed to give any article of food or stimulant to any patient; but must hand them to the nurse in charge.

XVI.—THE ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

1. Cases of great urgency shall be admitted to the Hospital at any hour of the day or night.

2. Other patients will be admitted between 9 o'clock A. M., and 3 o'clock P. M. They must apply in person at the office of the hospital, when they will be examined by one of the medical staff, and admitted by the superintendent, subject to approval by the prudential committee. If unable to apply in person, they shall be visited at their homes by one of the medical staff.

3. No lunatic shall be admitted; nor any patient suffering from small pox, typhus fever, scarlet fever, yellow fever, measles, erysipelas, ~~or~~ whooping cough, *or diphtheria*.

4. There shall be posted in the office daily the number of vacant beds, free and pay, for the information of the examining physician.

5. Application for the admission of patients living out of the city should be accompanied by a certificate of some respectable physician, stating the nature and probable duration of the disease, which certificate, with the application, will be referred to the prudential committee.

XVII.—RULES FOR PATIENTS.

1. All patients, on admission to the hospital, shall, unless forbidden by the house physician or house surgeon, before being assigned a bed, be sent to the bath-room, washed from head to foot, and furnished with clean clothing from their own or from hospital stores. If necessary, their hair shall be cut.

All patients able to leave their beds will wash themselves in the ward bath rooms and comb their hair, immediately upon getting up in the morning.

Every person is expected to bathe the whole person once a week, unless otherwise ordered by the attending physician or surgeon. It will be the duty of the men and women nurses in their respective wards to enforce this rule.

2. Patients must take off their hats in the wards, and their boots and shoes before lying down, and will be responsible for the neat appearance of their beds when not occupied during the day, and of their tables and window-shelves.

3. Patients admitted to the hospital are forbidden to use profane or indecent language; to express immoral or infidel sentiments; to play at any game for money; to smoke tobacco in the house, except in places provided for smoking, or to procure for themselves or others any intoxicating liquors.

4. No patient shall be allowed to have any books, pamphlets or newspapers of an immoral or indecent nature.

5. No male patient shall go into any of the women's wards, or any female patient into any of the men's wards.

6. No patient shall enter the dead-house, engine-room, kitchen, laundry, theatre, or any of the attendants' rooms, except by permission of the superintendent or other officers of the house.

7. Every patient not forbidden by the physician shall take the outside air either in the grounds or on the piazzas (weather permitting) each day. The nurses will enforce this rule in cold weather as near noon as possible. When desiring to go beyond the hospital bounds, patients must obtain a card from the house physician or surgeon, at his morning round, stating that he has no objections, which card, when countersigned by the superintendent, will serve them as a pass, and will be valid for the day it is given, but must be returned to the doorkeeper when the patient returns.

8. In exercising out of doors, patients will confine themselves

to the graded walks, and not intrude upon the grass or cultivated grounds.

No fruit or vegetables shall be taken from the trees, vines or grounds, without permission of the superintendent.

XVIII.—WARDS.

1. No bundles, carpet bags, baskets or other baggage, will be allowed in the wards. All clothing, not in actual use, will be locked up in the ward closet.

2. No clothing of any kind will be allowed under the pillows, or tucked about the beds or window sills. Towels must be hung in their appointed places. No packages of provisions or fruit will be allowed anywhere in the wards. Supplies sent by friends for special patients will be taken care of by the nurse of the ward.

3. No newspapers will be allowed spread over the bed-tables, and no accumulation of old papers and magazines will be allowed on the window-sills and tables.

4. Great care must be taken that nothing shall be thrown into bath tubs, basins, sinks or closets which can clog the drains.

Daily sweeping will be begun in the bath-rooms and the litter brushed through the ward into the entry, and immediately taken up.

5. Rags used for dressing wounds, and too much soiled to go to the laundry, will be immediately carried down stairs and buried or burned in the open air. No articles of any kind, clothing, towels, bandages or rags will on any account be washed out of the laundry.

6. No ward shall be left unattended; when the nurse is necessarily absent, a substitute (convalescent or assistant) shall be on duty for the time and shall answer the call of the patients.

7. The watchman shall commence his duty at 9 P. M. and pass hourly through the men's wards until 6 A. M., shall put out all unnecessary lights, preserve order in the convalescent ward and give such assistance as he may be asked for by any nurse on duty.

XIX.—MEALS.

1. The medical officers, head nurse, pupil nurses, housekeeper and apothecary will form one mess, taking their meals by themselves.

2. The superintendent and family may form one mess, taking their meals by themselves. Both these tables will be served and provided in the same manner.

3. Patients will be served with house diet or according to the directions of the attending physician or surgeon.

4. All patients able to leave their beds will take their meals in the ward dining rooms.

5. All orders for special diet will be promptly filled, and the articles sent up on the lifts neatly served.

FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The Directors of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut respectfully present to the Society their fifty-fourth annual report as prepared by the prudential committee and adopted by the directors.

The year 1880 at the hospital has been a very active one. It opened with 81 patients under treatment, and closes with 92 present on the 31st December, 1880. The whole number of those who have been treated is 521. There have been 440 admitted during the year, 373 discharged, and 56 have died. There have been 17 births. The average attendance has been $81\frac{3}{4}$ as against an average of $67\frac{5}{8}$ for 1879, and 69 for 1878. These figures show the increase of the work. For the last six months also we have had an unusually large proportion of acute cases.

The entire cost of maintaining the hospital service, exclusive of some extraordinary repairs, has been \$28,672.16. Of this sum \$25,201.33 has been supplied by earnings. The balance has been made up by the contributions of Hospital Sunday, by private donations, and by the small income derived from the funds of the Society. Conspicuous among the donations have been the liberal gifts of one thousand dollars each from the Hon. Henry Farnam and from Mrs. Eli Whitney, Jr.

We have spent the sum of \$1,406.71 in much needed and radical improvements in the water and steam plumbings of the wards. The money for this was supplied by the estate of the late Miss Hannah D. Buck, who, in return for eight years of care and support from the society, left to it all her property, amounting to about \$1,700 in savings-bank deposits. As this money had been more than earned by the Hospital during the life of the giver, it was not regarded as an addition to the permanent fund, but as income, to be used for current necessities. Its expenditure has secured an entire rebuilding of the water system of the new part of the hospital building, an improvement in its sewerage, and a much needed increase in the supply of hot water for the north ward. Some attempt has been made also, to remedy the defective ventilation of the east and west wards.

The average cost of the entire support of each patient has been \$6.55 per week. The daily cost of food per inmate has been 25½ cents. The deficiency in the earnings of the Hospital has been \$3,470.83 as against \$3,436.82 for the year 1879. The year was begun with an indebtedness of something over four thousand dollars, of which two thousand dollars still remain unpaid, in the form of the society's note, on which interest has been paid. We are happy to say that no new indebtedness has been incurred in the last twelve months, but that we have paid all the accounts of the last quarter, and have remaining a balance on the year's business of \$163.15, cash. It is hoped that the liberality of the friends of the society will enable us to retire this indebtedness in the course of the current year. If the work of the hospital is as great as it has been, there will be a probable difference between regular receipts and expenditures of \$3,000.00. This, with the \$2,000 indebtedness, makes the sum to be supplied, in order that we may close the year out of debt, \$5,000.

Regarding the year that has just closed as an evidence of what the Hospital needs when it is doing about all the work for which it has capacity, we find it an urgent reminder of the propriety of establishing a sufficient guarantee fund to meet possible deficiencies. The experience of the year ought also to make the establishment of such a fund easier, for it shows that so long as the citizens of New Haven continue their liberal donations, there will be no call upon the subscribers to the fund.

While for the detailed statistics of the year we must refer to the reports of the various departments, which are appended to this report, there are some general features that demand attention. The increased work of the last quarter caused the Connecticut Training School for Nurses to ask for permission to increase their force of pupil nurses. This permission has been granted to the extent of the present accommodations of the hospital buildings. The school is now allowed nineteen, including the head nurse, which is all for which we have room. This will give a force ample for all probable demands, and will, we hope, prevent the recurrence of such a period of over work as that from which the nurses have suffered during the last quarter. The thanks of the society are due to those ladies of the city who, when there was a pressure of work, and some of

the nurses were ill from over exertion, themselves entered the wards and assumed the nurses' duties. In regard to the work of the nurses during the entire year, we can only repeat the commendations which our predecessors have invariably given them for their faithfulness, unselfishness and efficiency, qualities which have been abundantly displayed under the experienced management of Miss Barrett, the present head nurse. Both the school and the hospital suffered a loss in the resignation of Miss Bundy, whose skill, tact and administrative capacity were felt in every department of her work.

In connection with the Training School we would like to bring to your attention the advantages which would follow the building of a separate house for the nurses upon the hospital grounds. We believe that this is included in the plans of the managers of the school, and we are of opinion that it would prove a benefit to the hospital as well to the nurses. We would suggest, therefore, that such action by the Hospital Society, as may be necessary to allow of the building of such a house by the Training School, be taken at an early day.

In the present condition of the hospital buildings the great defect encountered is the inefficiency of our system of ventilation. In the cold season, when windows must be closed, it is a very difficult, in fact impossible task to keep the wards east and west supplied with both warm and fresh air. The prudential committee, after struggling with the problem for the past few months, have no solution to offer. They can only insist upon the presence of the evil, and have asked the directors to refer it to an expert. They believe that it would be found profitable to employ some one experienced in the ventilation of hospital wards, to examine our building and advise us of the reasons why our flues and ventilating apparatus do not do the work, and to suggest, if possible, a remedy. They had hoped that some slight changes made this autumn would make the ventilation more perfect. While they have prevented some evils to which the wards were before exposed, they have not yet made the ventilation by any means what it ought to be. Further changes they do not think it would be wise to make without the help of suggestions, at least, from those who have made ventilation and heating the subject of special study.

A change has been made in the dispensary by placing Mr.

George Blunt in the position of apothecary. We are glad to say that the change has worked satisfactorily. The work of the drug room is well and promptly done, and a good amount of clerical work in the superintendent's office is taken in charge by the apothecary. Miss Gleason, the house-keeper, felt compelled to resign her place in the summer, and Mrs. McLean now fills the position very acceptably. She has given evidence of both experience and capacity. A loss which we have had greatly to deplore was caused by the sudden death of our associate upon the board, Dr. S. Henry Bronson. By his attainments and his natural gifts he was especially fitted for the work of the prudential committee. He was careful, pains-taking, unwearied in his attention to details, sober and sagacious in his judgment, methodical and industrious, and withal of such even temper and attractive character, that association with him was a pleasure. We felt his death as both a personal loss and a misfortune to the hospital.

Many times during the year the prudential committee have had occasion to acknowledge their obligations to the committee which preceded them. The chairman elected in January, 1880, Mr. William Gale, resigned in April, because of leaving the country to be gone several years. The effects of his vigorous and successful administration of the business of the committee have continued, and in general our work has been carried on in the lines into which he directed it.

In closing we take pleasure in commending the faithfulness and efficiency of the present superintendent, Mr. J. H. Starkweather. He has heartily executed the plans and wishes of the committee for the good of the hospital. In the other attendants also, we have found ready and capable assistants in the work. We have to thank the board of visitors for their careful attention to a duty that is not always a pleasant one, and for their intelligent and helpful suggestions. Acknowledgments are also due to the citizens of New Haven, by whose liberality special provision was made for the festivals of Thanksgiving and Christmas, and to the disinterested efforts of the clergymen who have conducted the Sunday evening services in the chapel.

MORRIS F. TYLER,	} <i>Prudential</i>
WILLIAM H. CARMALT,	
HENRY W. FARNAM,	

} *Committee.*

MEDICAL STATISTICS.

MEDICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL FROM JANUARY 1, 1880, TO JANUARY 1, 1881.

Abortion,.....	1	Hysteria,.....	5
Alcoholism,.....	23	Laryngitis, chronic,.....	1
Anacmia,.....	2	Jaundice,.....	1
" cerebral,.....	1	Locomotor ataxia,.....	2
Apoplexy,.....	2	Malaria, irregular,.....	3
Asthma,.....	1	Measles,.....	3
Brain, softening of.....	1	Mental derangement,.....	3
Bright's Disease, chronic,.....	6	Metritis,.....	1
Bronchitis,.....	3	Myelitis, chronic,.....	3
" chronic,.....	1	Nephritis, chronic,.....	1
Catalepsy,.....	1	" acute,.....	1
Cellulitis pelvic,.....	1	Nihil,.....	8
Chorea,.....	1	Oedema of Lung,.....	1
Colica pictoria,.....	2	Paralysis, agitans,.....	2
Confinement,.....	17	" partial,.....	2
Congestion, cerebral,.....	1	" general,.....	1
Constipation, chronic,.....	2	Paraplegia,.....	2
Debility,.....	6	Peri-metritis,.....	2
Diarrhoea, chronic,.....	3	Peritonitis,.....	1
Dyspepsia,.....	3	Pleurisy,.....	2
Dysentery,.....	1	" chronic,.....	1
Empyema,.....	1	Pneumonia,.....	6
Endo-metritis,.....	2	" double,.....	3
Epilepsy,.....	6	" catarrhal,.....	1
Fever, intermittent, quotid.,.....	8	Phthisis, pulmon.,.....	30
" " tertian,.....	14	Poisoning, opium,.....	1
" pernicious,.....	2	" oxalic acid and phosphor.,	1
" remittent,.....	2	Pregnancy,.....	4
" typho-malarial,.....	2	Rheumatism, acute,.....	9
Febricula,.....	1	" chronic,.....	11
Gastritis, acute,.....	1	Rubeola,.....	1
" subacute,.....	3	Sciatica,.....	5
" chronic,.....	1	Senility,.....	6
Heart, aortic regurgit.,.....	1	Spermorrhoea,.....	1
" mitral " 	2	Tonsillitis,.....	2
" fatty degeneration,.....	1	Tuberculosis, acute,.....	2
" functional disorder,.....	2	Typho-Pneumonia,.....	2
Hemiplegia,.....	6		
Hypochondriasis,.....	3		

SURGICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL FROM JANUARY
1, 1880, TO JANUARY 1, 1881.

Abscess, ischio-rectal,.....	2	Fistula in ano.	2
“ pelvic,.....	2	“ “ perinea,.....	2
“ palmar,.....	2	Fracture of clavicle,.....	2
“ of middle ear,.....	1	“ femur,.....	7
Adhesion, iritic,.....	2	“ “ comp.,.....	1
Atresia vaginae,.....	1	“ “ “ com,...	1
Ankylosis of knee joint,.....	2	“ “ extra-capsular,.....	2
Arthritis, rheumatic,.....	2	“ “ intra- “ .	2
“ strumous,.....	1	“ fibula,.....	1
Atrophy of optic nerve,.....	1	“ humerus,.....	1
Bubo,.....	3	“ radius and ulna,.....	2
Burns,.....	5	“ pelvic bones,.....	1
Calculus, vesical,.....	2	“ tibia and fibula,.....	3
Cancer of breast,.....	5	“ tibia,.....	3
“ penis,.....	1	“ skull,.....	1
“ uterus,.....	4	Gangrene of feet,.....	1
Caries, sup. maxilla,.....	1	Gonorrhoea,.....	5
“ radius,.....	1	Hæmatoma of scrotum,.....	1
“ sternum,.....	1	Hæmorrhage in retina,.....	1
“ spine,.....	3	Hernia inguinal,.....	6
Cataract, single,.....	5	Hydrocele,.....	2
“ double,.....	2	Injury to abdomen,.....	1
Cellulitis of hand,.....	1	“ head and face,.....	2
Chaneroid,.....	3	“ hip,.....	3
Choroiditis,.....	2	“ knee,.....	2
Concussion of brain,.....	2	“ spine,.....	1
Conjunctivitis, catarrhal,.....	3	Keratitis,.....	3
“ purulent,.....	1	Laceration of cervix uteri,.....	2
Coxæ morbus,.....	8	“ cornea,.....	2
Cystitis,.....	2	“ perinacum,.....	4
“ chronic,.....	1	Myelitis traumatic,.....	1
Dislocation of hip,.....	1	Necrosis of ilium,.....	3
Eczema,.....	2	“ femur,.....	2
Elephantiasis,.....	2	“ tibia,.....	2
Endostitis,.....	2	Periostitis,.....	2
Entropion,.....	2	Phagedæna, sloughing,.....	3
Epididymitis,.....	2	Phymosis,.....	2
Epithelioma of face,.....	1	Prolapsus of rectum,.....	2
“ leg,.....	1	“ “ uterus,.....	3
“ labia,.....	1	Prostatitis,.....	2
Erysipelas of leg,.....	3	Prostatic hypertrophy,.....	3
“ face,.....	2	Sarcoma of abdomen,.....	1
Erythema,.....	2	“ shoulder,.....	1
Fissure of anus.....	1	“ uterus,.....	1
“ urethra,.....	1	Scalds,.....	3

Stricture of urethra,.....	9	Ulcer, varicose,.....	6
Synovitis of knee joint,.....	2	“ sloughing,.....	3
Syphilis, secondary,.....	5	Wound of foot,.....	2
“ tertiary,.....	3	“ finger,.....	3
Talipes, varus,.....	2	“ hand,.....	4
Torticollis,.....	1	“ gunshot,.....	2
Tumor, filroid, of neck,.....	1	“ leg,.....	3
“ “ uterus,.....	3	“ toe,.....	2
“ ovarian,.....	4	“ throat,.....	1
“ sebaceous,.....	1		
Ulcer, chronic of leg,.....	4		252

CAUSES OF DEATH.

Amputation of thigh, (comp. comminuted fracture of femur),.....	1	Phagedaena, sloughing,.....	3
Anaemia, pernicious,.....	1	Phthisis, pulmon.,.....	10
Apoplexy,.....	2	Pneumonia, double,.....	3
Bright's disease,.....	3	“ hypostatic,.....	1
“ and Pneumonia,...	1	Pyelitis, nephritis,.....	1
Burn, extensive,.....	1	Sarcoma of shoulder,.....	1
Cancer of Breast, with second deposits in lung, kidney, liver, etc.,	1	“ uterus,.....	1
Cancer of Uterus,.....	2	Senility,.....	2
Heart disease,.....	3	Suicide, cutting of throat,.....	1
Malaria pernicious,.....	3	Tuberculosis, acute,.....	2
Marasmus,.....	1	Typho-malaria,.....	1
Meningitis, rheumatic,.....	1		
“ tubercular,.....	1	ACCIDENT CASES.	
Myelitis, traumatic,.....	1	Fracture of pelvis and injury to abdomen,.....	1
Nephritis, chronic,.....	1	Fracture of femur, radius and uterus, with injury to spine,...	1
Oedema of glottis,.....	1	Fracture of femur, laceration of perineum, traumatic pneumonia,	1
“ lung,.....	1		
Ovariectomy,.....	2		56

SURGICAL OPERATIONS PERFORMED AT THE HOSPITAL FROM
JANUARY 1, 1880, TO JANUARY 1, 1881.

Amputation of cervix uteri,.....	1	Exsection of hip joint,.....	1
“ finger,.....	5	“ knee joint,.....	1
“ foot,.....	1	For cataract laceration of capsul, .	4
“ leg,.....	2	“ linear extraction,.....	2
“ penis,.....	1	“ entropion,.....	2
“ thigh,.....	1	“ fistula in ano,.....	1
“ toe,.....	3	“ fissure and polypus of anus,...	1
Circumcision,.....	1	“ fracture of femur, ununited,...	1
Cystotomy,.....	1	“ ischio-rectal abscess,.....	1
Enucleation of globe of eye,.....	1	“ laceration of cervix uteri,...	2

For laceration of perinaeum,.....	3	" fibroid of neck,.....	1
" prolapsus recti,.....	2	" " uterus,.....	1
" atresia vaginae,.....	1	Removal of lead deposit from cornea	2
" stricture, divulsion,.....	3	" loose cartilages from	
Iridectomy,.....	6	knee joint,.....	1
Lithotomy,.....	1	" sarcoma of abdomen,.	1
Ovariectomy,.....	4	" scirrhus of breast,....	4
Perforation of mastoid cells,.....	1	" sebaceous cyst, ..	1
" tibia,.....	1	Tenotomy,.....	2
Perineal section,.....	3	Urethrotomy,.....	1
Removal of condyloma of anus,.	1		
" dead bone,.....	3		<hr/> 76

NUMBER OF BIRTHS.

In January,.....	2	In August,.....	3
In March,.....	1	In September,.....	2
In April,.....	2	In October,.....	2
In May,.....	1	In November,.....	1
In June,.....	2		<hr/>
In July,.....	1	Total,.....	17

Males, 8 ; Females, 9.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

NEW HAVEN, *January 17, 1881.*

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut.

GENTLEMEN :—I herewith respectfully submit the fifty-fourth annual report of receipts and disbursements, number of patients in hospital, and other statistics of the last year's business. The number of patients remaining in the hospital December 31, 1879, was 81—62 males, 19 females ; admitted during the year 1880, 440—289 males, 151 females, making a total of 521 under treatment—354 males, 167 females. Of this number, 195 recovered, 132 males, 63 females. 125 were discharged improved, 53 unimproved ; 56 have died, and 92 remained under treatment December 31, 1880.

There have been 17 births ; 8 males, 9 females.

The whole number of weeks occupied was 4,274 $\frac{2}{3}$, of which 3,518 $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks were occupied by charity patients, or those not paying full rates. These came from 54 different towns and villages. The greatest number of patients any one day was 92, the lowest 72 ; the daily average being 81 $\frac{3}{4}$. The attendants and other inmates of the house have averaged 44 $\frac{2}{3}$, making total of 126 $\frac{5}{6}$.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, in account with GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

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1880. To amount received :

Balance from old account, Jan. 16, 1880,	\$223.44
Self-paying patients,	4,897.81
Various towns for board of patients,	8,440.04
United States " "	413.75
State of Connecticut " "	5,345.35
State appropriation,	5,000.00
Hospital Leagues,	97.20
Sundries,	1007.18
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	\$25,424.77
Orders on Treasurer,	26,474.23
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	\$51,899.00

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1880. By amounts paid for:

Flour, (3,540 lbs.)	\$135.30
Meal and Rice,	157.68
Bread and Crackers, (21,409½ lbs.,)	969.72
Cake and Pies,	137.50
Butter, (4,019¼ lbs.,)	1,055.85
Cheese, (535 lbs.,)	73.83
Meat, (35,572¼ lbs.,)	3,587.71
Poultry, (1,962¼ lbs.,)	363.76
Fish and Oysters, (109¾ galls.,)	455.80
Vegetables and Fruit,	787.33
Eggs, (2,930¼ doz.,)	577.15
Groceries,	1,515.77
Milk, (45,678 quarts,)	2,033.30
Ice, (150,590 lbs.,)	671.84
Liquors,	134.13
Ale and Beer,	239.98
Medicines,	1,022.73
Instruments,	267.88
Surgical Dressings,	408.07
Fuel,	2,339.45
Gas,	859.34
Water,	150.00
Furniture and Crockery,	404.27
Cloths and Bedding,	506.39
Repairs and Improvements,	2,049.41
Postage, Printing and Stationery,	390.25
Barn and Farm Expenses,	94.11
Salaries and Wages,	6,532.22
Potash and Soap,	85.52
Insurance,	424.88
Sundries,	300.99

Total current expenses,	\$28,672.16
Special improvements, (Buck Fund.)	1,406.71
“ “ (H. W. Farnam,)	99.02
Refunded to patients,	270.14
Deposited with Treasurer,	21,287.82
Balance on hand, Jan. 17, 1881,	163.15
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	\$51,899.00

Total current Hospital expenses,	28,672.16
Less board of Superintendent's family and others,	672.97
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	\$27,999.19

Number of weeks of hospital care, 4,274 $\frac{2}{7}$.

Cost per week per patient, \$6.55

Total cost of food, 11,790.70

Average daily number of inmates, 126 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Cost of food per day per inmate, 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ c

GENERAL STATISTICS.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Remaining in Hospital, Dec. 31, 1879,	62	19	81
Admitted during the year 1880,	289	151	440
Total,	351	170	521
Of this number there have been discharged—			
Cured,	132	63	195
Improved,	80	45	125
Unimproved,	32	21	53
Died,	36	20	56
	280	149	429
Remaining under treatment Dec. 31, 1880,	71	21	92
	351	170	521

MONTHLY ADMISSIONS FROM JAN. 1, 1880 TO DEC. 31, 1880.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
January,	22	6	28
February,	24	4	28
March,	19	11	30
April,	21	12	33
May,	26	20	46
June,	29	18	47
July,	27	19	46
August,	16	17	33
September,	26	10	36
October,	28	15	43
November,	20	7	27
December,	31	12	43
Total,	289	151	440

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

United States,	228	Denmark,	1
Ireland,	121	Finland,	1
Germany,	34	France,	2
England,	26	Nova Scotia,	3
Scotland,	9	Canada,	5
Sweden,	1	Mexico,	1
Norway,	1	Unknown,	2
Switzerland,	2		
Italy,	3		440

AGE AT TIME OF ADMISSION.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 15 years,	10	13	23
From 15 to 20 years,	14	12	26
“ 20 to 30 “	64	49	113
“ 30 to 40 “	74	25	99
“ 40 to 50 “	68	28	96
“ 50 to 60 “	29	11	40
“ 60 to 70 “	25	8	33
“ 70 to 80 “	5	4	9
“ 90 to 100 “		1	1
Total,	289	151	440

TIME OCCUPIED BY THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF PATIENTS.

U. S. Marine Patients,	62 2-7 weeks
State Soldier “	1190 6-7 “
Town “	2076 3-7 “
Self-Paying “	730 5-7 “
Free Bed “	137 “
Charity “	77 “
	4,274 2-7

OCCUPATION.

Bakers,.....	4	Cooks,.....	2	Joiners,.....	6
Beer bottler,.....	1	Copper roller,.....	1	Laborers,.....	44
Beer makers,.....	2	Cutlers,.....	2	Lawyer,.....	1
Blacksmiths,.....	5	Die setter,.....	1	Letter carrier,.....	1
Book-keeper,.....	1	Doctors,.....	3	Livery stable,.....	1
Box makers,.....	2	Dress makers,.....	2	Lock maker,.....	1
Brakemen,.....	3	Electro plater,.....	1	Locksmith,.....	1
Brass workers,.....	5	Expressman,.....	1	Machinists,.....	6
Brewers,.....	2	Factory girl,.....	1	Masons,.....	7
Brickmakers,.....	2	Farmers,.....	13	Match maker,.....	1
Brokers,.....	3	Fruit dealer,.....	1	Mechanics,.....	5
Buckle maker,.....	1	Gardeners,.....	2	Melter,.....	1
Butchers,.....	2	Grinders,.....	4	Merchants,.....	5
Car builder,.....	1	Gun makers,.....	2	Molders,.....	10
Carpenters,.....	3	Hackman,.....	1	Nurse,.....	1
Carriage painters,...	2	Harness maker,....	1	Optician,.....	1
Chair maker,.....	1	Helper,.....	1	Organ makers,.....	3
Clerks,.....	2	Hostler,.....	1	Painters,.....	3
Coach makers,.....	2	House keeper,.....	1	Pedlar,.....	1
Construct telegraph, 1		Japanner,.....	1	Photographers,.....	2

OCCUPATION—Continued.

Plasterer,.....	1	Servants,.....	24	Teacher,	1
Plow maker,.....	1	Shoe makers,.....	3	Teamsters,.....	5
Plumber,.....	1	Silver plater,.....	1	Tool painter,.....	1
Polishers,.....	3	Solderers,	2	Turner,	1
Pressman,.....	1	Soldier,	1	Veteriuary surgcon,. 1	
Printer,.....	1	Spoon maker,.....	1	Waitress,.....	2
Restaurant keeper, .	1	Steam fitters,.....	2	Washer,.....	1
Rubber workers, ...	3	Store keeper,	1	Wire drawers,.....	2
Salesmen,.....	4	Straw cutter,.....	1	Wood chopper,.....	1
Saloon keepers,.....	2	Students,	2	Wood worker,.....	1
Sawyer,.....	1	Switchman,.....	1		
Seamen,	32	Tailors,	4		

REPRESENTATION OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES OF CONNECTI-
CUT IN THE HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR
ENDING DEC. 31, 1880.

Ansonia,	16	Harwinton,	1	Stratford,.....	1
Beacon Falls,.....	1	Hamden,.....	4	Southbury,.....	1
Brauford,	3	Madison,.....	1	Southington,.....	7
Bridgeport,	11	Mystic River,.....	1	Stamford,	3
Birmingham,	5	Morris,	1	Thomaston,	5
Bethel,	1	Meriden,	26	Union City,.....	1
Chester,	1	Milford,	2	Voluntown,.....	1
Cheshire,.....	2	Middlebury,.....	1	Wallingford,	11
Collinsville,.....	3	Middletown,.....	1	Waterbury,	6
Colebrook,.....	1	Norfolk,	1	Watertown,.....	1
Danbury,	1	New Britain,.....	1	Westbrook, .	1
Derby,.....	4	New Haven,.....	212	West Haven,.....	1
Deep River,.....	4	Naugatuck,	6	Weston,	1
East Haven,.....	3	North Haven,.....	6	Westport,	1
East Hampton,.....	1	Orange,.....	1	Westville,.....	5
Fair Haven,.....	8	Plymouth,.....	1	Whitneyville,.....	1
Guilford,	2	Rockland,.....	1	Wolcottville,.....	4
Hebron,	2	Seymour,.....	5	Woodbury,.....	2

STATEMENT OF DONATIONS RECEIVED AT THE HOSPITAL FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1830.

Rev. Mr. Denton, papers and magazines.
 Mrs. Samuel Miller, papers and magazines.
 Mrs. Alfred Blackman, magazines and books.
 Lueius Atwater, magazines and books.
 Mrs. Hogan, papers.
 Dr. T. H. Bishop, magazines and backgammon board.
 Mrs. Hall, papers.
 Mrs. Samuel Kennedy, seaside papers.
 Mrs. G. H. Bunnell, magazines.
 Mrs. Joseph Parker, books and magazines
 S. R. Hemingway, magazines.
 J. B. Baldwin, bundle of old lincn, books and papers.
 F. L. Verrill, magazines.
 Mrs. Sheldon, bundle old muslin.
 Mrs. Oreutt, papers.
 Mrs. Noah Porter, 7 books for library.
 Henry L. Cannon, 7 vols. Harper's Magazines.
 Mrs. Dr. Blake, lot magazines, 3 vols. magazines, bound.
 Mrs. Wm. Tyler, magazines and papers.
 S. H. Lyman, magazines.
 H. Foote, papers.
 Yale Library, books.
 Mrs. Samuel Miller, books and papers.
 Mrs. Dr. Carmalt, magazines.
 W. B. Fenn, books for library.
 H. B. Harrison, books for library.
 Mrs. Farnam, 3 pillow cases, 2 pair sheets.
 Mrs. French, papers and magazines.
 Miss Bristol, books and magazines.
 Mrs. Francis Bacon, 2 bibles, and 2 copies of testament and psalms for wards.
 Friend, papers.
 Mrs. O. F. Winchester, basket cut flowers.
 Mrs. S. E. Merwin, bouquets of flowers.
 L. R. Finch, religious papers.
 Miss Montford's School, magazines and papers.
 Nelson Hotchkiss' Estate, papers, books, magazines, 5 carpet rags, 9 bottles
 old wines and liquors, 2 demijohns old wines and liquors, 19 glasses jelly,
 2 picces crockery, 1 Davidson's syringe.
 W. P. Stone, magazines.
 J. S. Smith, 12 books for library.
 F. A. Gilbert, books and magazines.

Rev. Mr. Denton, illustrated temperance papers.
 Mrs. Baldwin, papers.
 A. M. Hill, closet chair.
 Mrs. Lewis Brown, bowl of jelly.
 Mrs. James Fellows, papers and magazines.
 Mrs. E. C. Read, 2 watermelons and flowers.
 Mrs. H. T. Blake, illustrated papers.
 Mrs. Pendleton, book.
 Mrs. Stevens, papers.
 Dr. Gilbert, magazines.
 Mr. Stadtmiller, German books and magazines.
 Mrs. Alfred Blackman, stuffed reclining chair.
 Rev. Mr. Denton, papers and magazines.
 Mrs. Samuel Miller, magazines.
 Edward A. Thompson, magazines.
 Mrs. H. T. Blake, papers and magazines.
 Charles H. Farnam, illustrated papers.
 York Street Aid Society, 4 pairs children's drawers, 3 underwaists.
 Mrs. Latham, 28 shirts, 5 collars.
 Unknown, 1 coat, 1 dressing gown.
 Mrs. Thomas Sault, 8 shirts, 6 pairs drawers, old liueu.
 Unknown, 3 shirts, 1 uight shirt.
 Unknown, 3 undershirts, 4 pairs stockings, 3 night dresses.
 York Street Aid Society, children's new underclothes, drawers, skirts, waists, shirts.
 Mrs. S. W. Johnson, old cotton and linen.
 Mrs. Scranton, merino underwear.
 Mrs. Davis, bundle of old linen.
 Unknown, bundle of old cotton.
 Mrs. Cowles, men's and women's underwear.
 Miss Woolsey and Miss Bacon, copies of "Youth's Companion," for children.
 Unkuown, 14 white shirts.
 Mrs. Little, bundle of old linen, magazines and papers.
 Unknown, 2 calico wrappers, old muslin and linen.
 Mrs. C. L. Mitchell, children's underwear, stockings, collars and cuffs.
 Friend, bundle old cotton.
 Mrs. Tyler, socks, shirts, serge coat.
 Miss Tappan, old linen, underwear.
 Mr. Chatfield, shirts and underwear, bundle of old flanel.
 Unknown, shirts and underwear.
 Unknown, drawers, dresses and stockings.
 Friend, night shirt and socks.
 H. S. Seymour, bundle old cotton and linen.
 Unknown, 2 bundles old cotton.
 Mrs. Latham, 1 dozeu shirts.
 Mr. Blake, 1 pair woolen drawers, 2 colored shirts.
 Unknown, men's underwear, 3 infant's dresses.
 Miss Josie Kearns, a bundle old cotton.

Mrs. Farnam, 20 pieces clothing.
 Hachi-no-su, bundle of children's garments, new.
 Mrs. S. E. Merwin, bundle old cotton.
 Miss Carnes, bundle old cotton.
 Rev. Robert Thorne, bundle old linen.
 Unknown, "
 Mrs. Ward, "
 Unknown, "
 Mrs. Andrews, bundle old cotton.
 Mrs. Farnam, bundle old linen and cotton.
 Mrs. Everit, " "
 W. H. L., bundle old linen.
 Mrs. Booth, "
 Mrs. Andrews, "
 Mrs. McAlister, "
 Mrs. Bacon, magazines and papers.
 Unknown, bundle of linen and cotton.
 Mrs. Everit, flowers.
 Bethany Mission, flowers.
 Y. M. C. Association, flowers.
 Mrs. Deming, Howe st., "
 Summerfield Mission, "
 Mrs. Eaton, "
 J. H. Graves, shirts and socks.
 Unknown, bundle of old cotton.
 Unknown, bundle of old cotton.
 Unknown, 12 articles of underwear.
 Unknown, bundle of old linen and cotton.
 Mrs. Platt, 9 undergarments.
 Nelson Hotchkiss' Estate, bundle of old linen, cotton, and miscellaneous articles of clothing.
 Unknown, bundle of old linen.
 Mrs. Tyler, bundle of old cotton.
 Mrs. Wayland, bundle of old cotton.
 Friend, bundle of old cotton.
 Mrs. Frank Curtis, flowers.
 Mrs. Read, flowers.
 Mrs. Eaton, flowers.
 Mrs. Horace Fitch, old linen.
 Mrs. Dr. Carmalt, old linen.
 Mrs. Baldwin, old linen.
 Mrs. Pritchard, men's underwear, and old cotton and linen.
 Henry Stephens, old muslin.
 Unknown, 2 packages old linen.
 Miss Kearns, calico wrapper, and package old cotton.
 Miss Bundy, large heavy shawl.
 Mrs. Nicholson, bundle old cotton.
 Mrs. Blackman, 1 dressing gown, 16 pairs men's hose, slippers and leggings.

Unknown, 3 buudles cotton and linen.
 Mrs. Wayland, quantity of flowers.
 Mrs. Gillson, Fair Haven, buundle old cotton.
 Mrs. Timothy Trowbridge, piece of old linen.
 Mrs. Read, large quantity of flowers.
 Unknown, old linen tablecloth and napkins.
 Horace P. Hoadley, bundle old linen.
 Mrs. Atwater, bundle shirts and old linen.
 Mrs. Pierpout, bundle old shirts and collars.
 Mrs. J. M. Baldwin, bundle old shirts and collars.
 Mrs. Edward Thompson, 15 shirts, and old cotton.
 Mrs. Rowe, bundle old cotton and linen.
 Mrs. Ferguson, bundle old cotton and linen.
 Mrs. Wayland, quantity of flowers.
 Mrs. S. S. Whitney, bundle old linen and collars.
 Mrs. Loomis, bundle old linen.
 Mrs. R. S. Chidsey, bundle old linen.
 Mrs. Gale, bundle old cotton.
 Mrs. Doolittle, bundle old linen.
 Mr. T. D. Wheeler, 13 articles of underwear, bundle old linen.
 Rev. Mr. Denton, magaziues and papers.
 Mr. Greuner, German magazines.
 Mr. Lines, German book.
 W. F. Gilbert, $\frac{1}{4}$ cord hickory wood.

For Thanksgiving.

Thomas Harris, 1 turkey.
 Mrs. Everit, 2 turkeys.
 Wm. O. Armstrong, 1 turkey.
 Dr. L. J. Sanford, 1 turkey.
 Mrs. Geo. B. Rich, 1 turkey.
 Mrs. Wm. Fitch, 1 turkey.
 Robert Morgan, 1 turkey.
 Mrs. Joseph Parker, 1 turkey.
 Mrs. E. W. Davenport, 1 turkey.
 Dr. E. H. Bishop, 1 turkey.
 Mrs. H. L. Hotchkiss, 1 turkey.
 Mrs. Frances L. Gilbert, 1 turkey.
 T. G. Bennett, 1 turkey.
 Mrs. S. Ellen Cowles, 1 turkey.

For Christmas.

Mrs. T. H. Bishop, 1 turkey.
 Mrs. Ruby M. Osborn, 7 glasses jelly, 1 bottle grape wine.

Friend, 90 small bouquets of choice flowers, with illustrated cards in envelopes, addressed to each patient, and placed on their pillows during the night.

Robert Morgan, books, candy, $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen handkerchiefs.

Mrs. Alden, toys and books.

Mrs. Eaton, toys.

Mrs. Porter, toys

Mrs. Fitch, toys.

Mrs. Hawley, toys.

Mrs. Chapman, toys.

Miss Mills, toys.

Miss Trowbridge, toys.

Mrs. Trowbridge, clothes.

Unknown, box of flowers.

Mrs. Dr. Farnam, toys and books.

Miss Mills, books.

Miss Porter, Christmas letters.

Miss DuBois, toys, and loan of decorations for tree.

Mrs. Dr. Bacon, gifts for tree.

Friend, 108 Orange street, $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen shoulder shawls.

Henry Farnam, cash \$50, to be expended for the comfort and pleasure of the patients.

At the annual meeting of the Society the following vote was passed :

WHEREAS, To the four free beds already established in the hospital by the thoughtful liberality of Henry Farnam, James E. English, William Fitch and Mrs. Ellen M. Gifford, a fifth has now been added by Dr. Henry Bronson.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society be tendered to Dr. Bronson for his generous and timely gift, and that the free bed thus established be known as the Bronson free bed.

A true copy of a vote of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, passed January 27th, 1881.

T. H. BISHOP, *Secretary*.

INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS.

Henry Bronson,.....	\$25.00
E. E. Salisbury,.....	25.00
R. S. Fellowes,.....	50.00
W. H. Carmalt,.....	50.00
Wm. Gale,	25.00
Morris F. Tyler,.....	50.00
Wallace B. Fenn,.....	25.00
Henry T. Blake,	50.00
Daniel C. Eaton,.....	25.00
Henry Farnam,.....	1,000.00
James D. Dewell,.....	50.00
Mrs. Mary E. Dewell,.....	50.00
Josephine S. Porter,.....	25.00
Joseph Parker & Son,.....	50.00
Lewis R. Packard,.....	10.00
J. D. Shelly,.....	10.00
Eli W. Blake,	50.00
Samuel Miller,.....	25.00
W. A. Ives,.....	25.00
English & Mersick,.....	25.00
James H. Foy,.....	25.00
Mrs. John W. Mansfield,.....	25.00
E. S. Wheeler,.....	25.00
Franklin B. Hart,	25.00
Prof. Gibbs,.....	20.00
E. H. Trowbridge,.....	25.00
Mrs. E. H. Trowbridge,.....	25.00
M. G. Elliott,	25.00
Jarvis Brush,.....	25.00
Geo. J. Brush,.....	25.00
Prof. W. D. Whitney,.....	25.00
A. L. Kidston,.....	50.00
James E. English,.....	50.00
Lydia S. Seranton,.....	100.00
A. Van Name,.....	10.00
Edward Stevens,.....	50.00
Mrs. R. C. Peek, in memory of her son, Jas. D. Peck,....	25.00
G. W. Hazel,.....	10.00
Henry W. Farnam,.....	50.00

\$2,260.00

L. S. HOTCHKISS, *Treasurer.*

COLLECTIONS FOR HOSPITAL SUNDAY, 1880.

Church of United Society (North Church),.....	\$170.37
First M. E. Church,.....	71.66
German Lutheran Church (E. Trinity),.....	7.00
St. Francis Church, (R. C.) Fair Haven,.....	21.60
St. John's Church, (Episcopal),.....	33.56
Westville Congregational Church,	24.64
East Congregational Church,.....	36.71
First Church (Center),.....	408 08
Dwight Place Church,.....	29.80
Wesley Chapel (M. E. Church),.....	27.00
Chapel Street M. E. Church,	7.00
Calvary Baptist Church,.....	71.68
Christ Church, Guilford,.....	16.20
Congregation Miskan Israel,	163.00
Davenport Church,.....	72.50
Grace Church, Fair Haven,.....	6.00
Temple Street Congregational Church,.....	5 05
Trinity Church,.....	411.81
Church of the Redeemer,	136.00
Collections at Post Office,	4.07
Church of the Ascension,	15.04
St. Paul's Church, Wallingford,.....	15.45
Church of the Sacred Heart (R. C.),.....	51.00
St. John's Church (R. C.),.....	27.77
Cheshire Congregational Church,.....	11.00
St. Patrick's Church (R. C.),.....	40 00
Mount Carmel Congregational Church,	11.00
Third M. E. Church,.....	8 51
Howard Avenue Congregational Church,.....	35.00
St. Mary's (R. C.),.....	23 00
Taylor Congregational Church,.....	2.35
First Congregational Church, Fair Haven,.....	24.00
Trinity Chapel,.....	4.50
Second Congregational Church, Fair Haven,.....	10.00
Church of the Messiah,	10.36
First Church (Center), additional,.....	5.00
German M. E. Church,	2.50
First Baptist Church,.....	102.93
First Congregational Church, Fair Haven, additional,.....	.30
Christ Church,	33.58
Yale College Chapel,.....	53.00
A Friend from College Street Church,.....	1.25
Congregational Church, North Haven,.....	13.00
Mrs. Sarah S. Whitney,.....	1,000.00

\$3,224.27

L. S. HOTCHKISS, *Treasurer.*

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

DR. THE GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT, in account with
LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, Treasurer, Cr.

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		To amount of orders paid of prudential committee,....	\$27,502.27
Jan. 15.		To paid note of society,.....	2,000.00
June 1.		To paid expenses soliciting subscriptions,.....	85.84
July 17.		To paid six months interest on \$2,000, note to June 30,	50.00
Dec. 30.		To paid six months interest on \$2,000, note to Dec. 31,	50.00
31.		To balance cash on hand to new account,.....	955.39
			\$30,643.50

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Jan.	1.	By balauce on old account,.....	\$2,466.80
		By collections and subscriptions Hospital Sunday, 1880,	3,224.27
		By donations in 1880,.....	2,260.00
		By amount from J. H. Starkweather, Supt. in 1880,...	21,192.43
Mar.	18.	By interest on \$5,000, Town of N. H. note to March 15,	125.00
May	11.	“ “ \$15,000, Town of N. H. note to May 5,	375.00
June	5.	“ “ Mary E. and H. W. E. Monson \$5,000	
		note to Dec. 7, 1880,.....	150.00
July	1.	“ “ \$4,000 City of New Haven bonds,.....	100.00
Sept.	22.	“ “ \$5,000 Town of N. H. note, to Sept. 15,	125.00
Nov	10.	“ “ \$15,000 Town of N. H. note, to Nov. 5,	375.00
Dec.	11.	“ “ Mary E. and H. W. E. Monson note to	
		June 7, 1881,.....	150.00
“	31.	“ “ \$4,000 City of New Haven bonds,.....	100.00
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			\$30,643.50

All of which is respectfully submitted,

LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, *Treasurer.*

I have examined the within and foregoing account and compared the same with the vouchers therefor, and find the same to be correct.

HENRY D. WHITE, *Auditor.*

NEW HAVEN, CONN., January 12, 1881.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:

GENTLEMEN :—In submitting our final report for the current year, we desire, first of all, to recognize the prompt and courteous attention bestowed by you upon such criticisms or suggestions as we have been prompted to make.

That these have been so few is due, in great measure, to the wise and efficient administration of the trust by yourselves and others who have its interests in charge.

The Superintendent, too, whose diligent performance of duty has not been unmarked by us, has shown himself ever ready to hear and, if possible, remedy any grievance.

The same fidelity and zeal appear to characterize most of those who are employed in the hospital. The observation of members of the Board goes to confirm the testimony of many of the patients, to the skill and self-denying devotion of physicians and nurses. The latter quality has been shown in a marked degree during the recent emergency, caused by the increase of patients, and of critical cases, and also by the diminution in the number of available nurses.

In this exigency, not only have the able-bodied nurses performed much extra service, but in addition, several of the ladies who superintend the Training School have come to the relief of the over-taxed nurses.

Sharing the regret, which all friends of the Hospital must feel at the withdrawal of Miss Bundy, who filled the position of superintendent of nursing with rare ability, we also share their satisfaction that the vacancy thus created was filled so quickly and well. The mention of this change recalls others in the membership of this board. Mr. W. S. Charnley, who served the previous year and had been re-elected, was obliged by ill health to withdraw altogether. Later, the Rev. W. G. Andrews, who had been a member of the board from the start, serving five years as Secretary and one as Chairman, was compelled to resign because of his removal to another State. His constant

interest and watchful supervision were at once a stimulus and rebuke to his associates, and an encouragement to the officers and patients.

It appears from the record that more than forty visits have been made during the year by the members of the board.

From the knowledge thus gained respecting the management of the hospital, its usefulness and its needs, we feel authorized to assure the public, whose representatives we are, that they have, in the New Haven Hospital, an institution economically and wisely administered, deserving their confidence and sympathy, and entitled to a generous support and ample endowment.

It is a matter of surprise, to those who are familiar with the Hospital and its administration, that so much is done, and done so well with meagre resources and inadequate equipment.

It is a matter, also, of profound regret, that in a community so prosperous, and in a State exhibiting so much enterprise and thrift, benefactions flow so seldom into this channel. The majority of the patients treated here are too poor to express their gratitude in substantial form. We must depend chiefly on those who, by personal inspection, through published reports, or from observation of kindred institutions, appreciate the value of a well-equipped hospital to a State or community, to come to our relief and put this institution on a firm basis.

The offerings of "Hospital Sunday," are most helpful and will, doubtless, be found so in the future. But there is immediate and pressing need of such ample endowment as will secure the appliances and facilities of the best hospitals in Europe or America, and bring them within the reach of the poorest. A hospital thus amply endowed, with a medical staff so competent, and a corps of nurses so efficient as already exist here, would be a source of just pride to all the people of the State, and not least to those whose wise generosity secured the boon. May such a result be speedily attained.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN F. MANSFIELD,
JAMES REYNOLDS,
CHARLES H. FARNAM,
CHARLES H. WILLIAMS,
MAIER ZUNDER.

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

1. Applications for the admission of patients should be accompanied by a certificate from some respectable physician, stating the nature and probable duration of the disease, and should be addressed to the Superintendent of the Hospital, New Haven, Conn. In accordance with the regulations of the hospital, the superintendent, as the representative of the prudential committee, arranges the terms of admission according to the circumstances of the case and the accommodation required.

2. The nursing is performed by the Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

3. The ordinary charge per week for accommodation in the Wards is \$6.00, which includes medical and surgical attendance, together with medicine, nursing and washing.

4. Private rooms are furnished at \$12.00 or more per week, according to the requirements of the case.

5. Persons partly supported by the towns in which they reside and partly by the State appropriation, are admitted on an order from the town authorities. Town patients are received at \$4.00 per week, the remainder is paid out of the State Appropriation.

6. Soldiers enrolled on the State quota in the late war, and now residents are admitted as State patients, to receive treatment for wounds or disability, contracted in the service.

7. Sailors, whose support is provided for from the marine hospital fund, are admitted on the order of the collector of the Port of New Haven.

8. Persons carried directly to the hospital from the place of an accident are admitted immediately.

9. A written history of the case should be sent with the patient.

10. *Insane persons* and those suffering from *contagious diseases* are not admitted.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.,

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In consideration of the admission of of into the Institution of the "General Hospital Society of Connecticut," at New Haven, I engage to provide, or pay for, a sufficiency of clothing for use, and pay to the Treasurer of said Institution dollars per week for board, medicine and medical attendance; and to cause said patient to be removed when discharged, without expense to said Institution, and, in the event of death, to pay the expense of burial.

Principal.

For value received, I hereby engage to become responsible for the fulfillment of the above stipulations.

Surety.

APPENDIX.

THE CONNECTICUT TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

The Training School for Nurses has been established for seven years. At first the number of pupils was limited to six ; within two years it was increased to eleven, then to fourteen, and these not being sufficient to meet the many demands for special and continuous attention which critical cases required, the prudential committee consented last December to provide board and washing for seventeen pupils, a head nurse and an assistant. The pupils remain in the hospital for one year and pursue their studies and daily routine of work under the superintendence of the head nurse. Each nurse is assigned to one ward or department for several weeks, and in the course of a year has studied surgical, medical, and obstetrical nursing, and also the preparation of special dishes suitable for invalids and convalescents. Symptom records are kept which enable the physician to ascertain the varied phases of the disease since he last saw the patient.

At the close of the year of study the nurse has a vacation of one month, and then returns to take for five months such cases of private practice as shall be assigned to her. Her home is in the hospital, when her services are not called for elsewhere, and the school pays for all the nurses there in excess of the number allowed.

The hospital authorities appreciate most highly the advantages of having this school established here. Those who enter it either have a special gift for nursing, or with a true spirit of self-sacrifice have devoted themselves to the noble work of ministering to others ; consequently the duties of that department are performed more faithfully and more skillfully than in former years when it was thought that strength was the only requisite in a nurse.

Those wishing to receive this course of instruction must apply to the Secretary of the Society, when, if approved by the Executive Committee, they will be accepted as pupils in the hospital. The candidates must be over twenty-two and under forty years of age, and must present a certificate from a clergyman and

physieian as to their good moral character and sound health. They will be received for one month on probation and without compensation.

Information concerning the School will be furnished by the President, Vice President, or other members of the Executive Committee.

Pupils are received from any State.

Applications for admission should be made as early as possible to the Secretary, Mrs. Thaeher, 120 Crown st., New Haven.

Physicians or others in any part of the State desiring to secure the services of trained nurses for men or women, medical or surgical patients, should apply by telegraph or letter, stating the nature of the case, to the Superintendent of Nursing, New Haven Hospital.

The price per week for the services of a trained nurse is \$12.00, unless two members of the family are ill at the same time, when there will be a slight additional charge. It can not be too strongly impressed upon the public that it is more economical, and safer for the patient, to employ a reliable nurse, than to indulge in a natural but misplaced sentiment, which sacrifices the strength of an entire family to the care of one invalid member.

Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

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FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
DIRECTORS
OF THE
GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY
OF
CONNECTICUT,
FOR THE YEAR 1881.

Presented at the Annual Meeting, January 26th, 1882.



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1882.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

Item. I give and bequeath to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, in the City of New Haven, the sum of dollars, to be paid by my Executors, out of my real or personal estate, as soon as the settlement of my affairs will permit, to the Treasurer of said Institution for the time being, in trust, to be applied by the Directors thereof to the humane purposes of said Institution.

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The Board of Directors has the honor to present herewith to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut its fifty-fifth annual report as prepared by the Prudential Committee.

The increase in the work of the Hospital, which we had occasion to notice at the last annual meeting, has continued during the past year. The daily average of patients has risen from $67\frac{2}{3}$ in 1879 and $81\frac{3}{4}$ in 1880 to 89 in 1881, with a maximum of 106 and a minimum of 76. 556 have been admitted and 480 discharged. There have been 65 deaths and 14 births.

This increase in the number of patients has been accompanied by a diminution in the expenditure per capita and a narrowing of the gap between earnings and expenses. The weekly cost of maintaining a patient has fallen from \$6.55 in 1880, to \$6.37 in 1881, while the deficit on running expenses (leaving out of account improvements paid for by special funds) has fallen from \$3,740.97 in 1880 to 2,433.52 in 1881. Thus, with the aid of the Hospital Sunday collection of 1881, amounting to \$2,986.81, and of our income from invested funds, we have been able not only to make up the deficit but also to pay off the last \$2,000.00 of our debt.

An analysis of the Superintendent's report shows, however, that this favorable exhibit is due, not to a decrease in the cost of caring for the patients, but to quite special causes. For the saving that would ordinarily result from an increase in patients has been more than counterbalanced by the great rise in the prices of provisions, and this shows itself in the rise of the cost of food per inmate from $25\frac{1}{2}$ cents in 1880 to $29\frac{1}{4}$ cents in 1881, as well as in the fact that, while the daily average of patients has risen 8.8 per cent., the expenditure for food has risen 25.3 per cent. or \$2,978.27. This increase in the cost of food would have considerably enlarged our deficit, had it not been more than outweighed by a positive fall of 8.7 per cent or \$1,408.47 in the other items, chief among which were repairs and improvements (with a fall of \$1,204.18), clothes and bedding, postage, printing and stationery, furniture, crockery and gas.

These facts show that the lowering of the deficit has been

brought about only by comparing a year in which the outlay for special improvements was very large with one in which great economy was exercised in this and some other branches of expenditure. In attempting to prepare a budget for the coming year, we shall, therefore, have to assume that the high prices of provisions will continue, if they do not go higher, while it will be hardly possible to avoid a greater outlay for permanent improvements and repairs, many of which are urgently needed. We may, therefore, expect that the difference between earnings and expenses will be greater than during the past year. On the other hand, however, we are more than usually well prepared to meet this deficit. With a bank balance on Jan. 15th, of \$1,647.11, a Hospital Sunday collection of \$3,223.18 and no debt, we may safely hope, barring accidents, to go through the year without again appealing to the public or making use of the guarantee fund.

The proper disposal of the bandages, etc. taken from the wards has been for some time a serious problem. This refuse matter was formerly buried in large excavations lined with boards, in the rear of the stable, and all that part of the grounds seemed destined in time to be honey-combed with these vast cells of foul matter, and to endanger the health of the neighborhood. Last winter the Prudential Committee undertook, in accordance with a suggestion of the Board of Visitors, to burn all this matter in the furnace of the laundry, and they think now, after nearly a year's trial of the experiment, that they have solved the difficulty.

The remainder of the "Buck Fund" has been drawn upon to the extent of \$188.12 for minor improvements in the plumbing. Otherwise no material changes have been made in the building or grounds.

The large number of patients has made it necessary at times to crowd the wards more than is desirable, while the nurses needed for their care have been equally crowded in the only rooms we have been able to give them. It gives us great satisfaction, therefore, to know that the ladies of the Training-School have been actively engaged in raising funds to build a house for their own purposes in accordance with the terms of a contract made with the Hospital and ratified at the quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors held October 21, 1881. This contract provides that the Training-School shall have the power to erect a

building, to be used solely for its purposes, on the Hospital grounds; that the General Hospital Society shall heat and light this building; and that in case of a dissolution of partnership between the Hospital and the Training-School, the disposition of the new building shall be left to a commission appointed by the two parties jointly. We shall be very glad to see this building go up during the coming year, as well on account of the nurses as on account of the Hospital, and the additional outlay that it will entail will be money well expended.

There has been no change during the past year in the heads of the different departments of the institution; we are happy to add that there has been no change in the faithfulness and efficiency of the Training-School, of which we have such frequent occasion to express our appreciation, or in the devotion of the officers of the Hospital. We gave Mr. Starkweather a month's vacation in August, and were most fortunate in securing for the position of Superintendent during his absence the valuable services of Mr. Richard E. Rice. Mr. Starkweather was, we felt, entitled to this rest, the first he had had in three years of faithful service in his responsible office.

Our thanks are due to the Board of Visitors for their frequent and careful inspections of the building and grounds, and for valuable suggestions. To the clergymen of New Haven who have conducted services in the chapel, and to the citizens of New Haven who have contributed money, or kindly remembered the sufferers by presents and visits at Thanksgiving and Christmas, we express our grateful acknowledgements.

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NEW HAVEN, *Jan.* 26, 1882.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL BOARD.

To the Board of Directors of the General Hospital of Connecticut :

In presenting the statistics of the past year, the members of the Medical Board take the opportunity to notice the increase of patients year by year and accept the fact as a gratifying evidence of the continued acceptability of the Hospital to the community.

We consider the condition of the institution in general and its administration to be eminently satisfactory, though in some particulars improvement might be made.

The method of warming and ventilating the building is noticeably defective; cold air is at times blown through the heating boxes into the two lower wards, and the escape of foul air is sometimes quite insufficient; the means of regulating these matters should be direct and controllable.

The midwifery wards are somewhat lighter and pleasanter since the opening of additional windows into them, but they still receive too small an amount of light, and we hope that some arrangement will be devised to allow this department more sunshine and cheerfulness; an entire change of location would be, in many respects, advantageous.

We think it desirable that a microscope be obtained and kept at the Hospital at all times.

We also recommend the purchase of an ambulance for the transportation of sick and wounded patients. These are now brought to the Hospital in hacks or wagons not adapted to the purpose, and it is quite possible that the deaths of some patients may be hastened, if not actually caused, by the exposure and hardship incident to the lack of proper means of transportation. A moderate outlay in buying an ambulance for New Haven would relieve more suffering than any outlay in our knowledge.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. GILBERT, M. D.,

Secretary of Medical Board.

NEW HAVEN, *January 7th, 1882.*

SURGICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING 1881.

Abscess, ischio-rectal,.....	2	Fistula in ano,.....	4
“ pelvic,.....	2	Fracture of clavicle,	4
“ psoas,.....	1	“ femur,.....	10
“ palmar,.....	2	“ humerus,	2
“ external auditory meatus,	1	“ inferior maxilla,.....	2
“ middle ear,.....	2	“ patella,.....	2
Aneurism of aorta,.....	1	“ pelvis,.....	1
Ankylosis of knee joint,.....	3	“ radius,.....	3
Arthritis, rheumatic,.....	4	“ radius and ulna,.....	2
“ strumous,.....	2	“ sternum,	1
Atrophy of optic nerve,.....	4	“ spine,.....	2
Bed sore—extensive,.....	2	“ tibia,	1
Bubo,.....	2	“ tibia and fibula,.....	6
Burns,.....	10	Gangrene of toes,.....	1
Calculus vesical,.....	3	Gonorrhœa,.....	5
Cancer of breast,.....	4	Gonorrhœal ophthalmia,.....	1
“ rectum,.....	1	Granular lids,.....	2
“ scrotum,.....	1	Hernia,.....	7
“ superior maxilla,.....	1	Hæmorrhoids,.....	2
“ tongue,.....	1	Hydrocele,.....	1
“ uterus,.....	1	Injury of eye,.....	6
Carbuncle,.....	1	“ hand,.....	1
Caruncle in urethra.....	2	“ head,.....	2
Caries of sternum,.....	2	“ ankle,.....	2
“ spine,.....	3	“ knee,.....	2
“ wrist,.....	2	“ foot,.....	1
“ tarsus,.....	2	“ shoulder,.....	1
Cataract, single,.....	3	“ wrist,	1
“ double,.....	2	Keratitis,.....	5
Chaucroid,.....	5	Laceration of perinæum,.....	2
Concussion of brain,.....	1	Loose cartilages in knee joint,....	2
Conjunctivitis,.....	9	Morbus coxarius,.....	13
Cystitis, acute,.....	1	Necrosis of ilium,.....	2
“ chronic,.....	1	“ phalanges,.....	2
Dislocation of shoulder,.....	1	“ tibia,	2
“ ulna,.....	1	“ rib,.....	1
Ectropion,.....	1	“ sternum,.....	1
Eczema,.....	4	Neuralgia facial,.....	1
Elephantiasis,.....	1	Onychia,.....	1
Entropion,.....	2	Opacity of cornea,.....	1
Epididymitis,.....	1	Orchitis,.....	1
Epithelioma of ear,.....	1	Osteo-sarcoma,.....	1
“ face,.....	3	Oxaluria,.....	1
“ lip,.....	3	Phlebitis,.....	1
Erysipelas,.....	3	Periostitis,.....	1
Exophthalmia,	1	Prolapsus of rectum,....	1

Prolapsus of uterus,.....	1	Tumors, ovarian,.....	7
Prostatitis,.....	1	“ uterine fibroid,.....	1
Prostatic hypertrophy,.....	5	“ selerotic,.....	1
Psoriasis,.....	1	“ sebaceous,.....	1
Retinitis,.....	1	Ulcers,.....	16
Sarcoma,.....	1	Wounds of foot,.....	2
Scalds,.....	1	“ gun-shot of eye,.....	1
Sinuses,.....	3	“ “ head,.....	2
Sprains,.....	2	“ “ hand,.....	1
Stricture of urethra,.....	8	“ “ body,.....	1
Synovitis of knee,.....	1	“ of leg,.....	1
Syphilis, primary,.....	1	“ throat,.....	3
“ secondary,.....	6	Varicocele,.....	1
“ tertiary,.....	4		
Talipes, varus,.....	2	Total,.....	297
Tetanus,.....	1		

SURGICAL OPERATIONS PERFORMED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING 1881.

Amputation of arm,.....	1	Ligation of radial and anterior in-	
“ thigh,.....	4	terosseous arteries,.....	1
“ at knee joint,.....	3	Lithotomy,.....	2
“ of leg,.....	1	Ovariectomy,.....	6
“ foot,.....	2	Reduction of dislocated shoulder,.....	1
“ toes,.....	1	Removal of bullet,.....	1
Canthoplasty,.....	1	“ caruncle of urethra,..	2
Castration,.....	1	“ epithelioma of ear,....	1
Circumcision,.....	1	“ “ face,..	1
Enucleation of eye-ball,.....	2	“ “ lip,....	2
For cataract laceration of capsule,.....	1	“ loose cartilages in knee	
“ “ linear extraction,.....	4	joint,.....	1
“ contracted cicatrix on fingers,.....	1	“ sarcoma of shoulder,.	3
“ ectropion,.....	1	“ scirrhus of breast,....	1
“ entropion,.....	2	“ sequestrum,.....	1
“ fistula in ano,.....	5	“ superior maxilla,.....	1
“ granular lids,.....	1	“ polypus of ear,.....	1
“ hæmorrhoids,.....	1	Stretching sup. maxillary nerve,.	1
“ prolapsus ani,.....	1	Tenotomy for talipes varus,....	1
“ stricture, internal urethraoto-			
my,.....	1	Total,.....	74
“ “ divulsion,.....	2		
“ varicocele,.....	4		
Iridectomy,.....	6		

CAUSES OF DEATH.

Abscess of thigh,	1	Paralysis,	5
Amputation of thigh,	1	Pericarditis,	1
Bronchitis capillary,	2	Poisoning by corrosive sublimate,	1
Cancer of rectum,	1	Phthisis,	20
Cerebral softening,	1	Pleurisy,	2
Cirrhosis of liver,	1	Purpura hæmorrhagica,	1
Compound fracture of femur,	1	Rupture of liver,	1
Erysipelas,	3	Suicide, cut throat,	1
Epithelioma of face,	1	Typho-malaria,	3
Exsection of hip joint,	1	Typhoid pneumonia,	1
Emphysema of lungs,	1	“ fever,	1
Heart disease,	4	Tubercular laryngitis,	1
Hernia strangulated,	1	Tuberculosis, acute,	1
Mania acute,	1		
Nephritis, chronic,	4		
Ovariectomy,	2		
		Total,	65

Prepared by WM. L. RUSSELL, M.D., *House Surgeon.*

MEDICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING 1881.

Abortion,	2	Heart, mitral insufficiency,	5
Anæmia,	8	“ functional disorder,	1
Bright's disease,	5	Hæmoptysis,	1
Bronchitis, acute,	5	Hæmiplegia,	6
“ chronic, ...	3	Hysteria,	2
Chorea, .	4	Hystero-epilepsy,	1
Cirrhosis hepatis,	2	Icterus,	2
Colica pictonum,	5	Locomotor ataxia,	3
Confinement,	14	Lumbago,	1
Debility,	6	Mania,	3
Diarrhœa, chronic,	5	Mania-a-potu,	5
Diabetes insipidus,	3	Metritis,	2
Dipsomania,	19	Mollities cerebri,	2
Dyspepsia,	3	Myalgia,	2
Endo-carditis,	2	Neuralgia,	3
Endo-metritis,	1	Neurasthenia,	3
Erosion cervix uteri,	2	Paralysis,	8
Epilepsy,	4	Perimetritis,	2
Fever, intermittent,	28	Pericarditis,	2
“ remittent,	2	Pharyngitis,	3
“ typhoid,	6	Phlebitis,	1
“ typho-malarial,	5	Pleuritis,	7
Febricula,	2	Pneumonia, catarrhal,	3
Gastrodynia,	1	“ lobal,	4
Gastritis, recurrent,	6	“ pleuro,	1
Heart, aortic stenosis,	3	Phthisis,	42

Poisoning by corros. sublimate,...	1	Tonsillitis,.....	1
Pregnancy,.....	2	Torticollis,.....	1
Puerperal convulsions,...	1	Tuberculosis, acute,.....	3
Purpura-hæmorrhagica,.....	1	Typho-pneumonia,	1
Rheumatism, acute,.....	4	Uterus retroflexion,.....	2
Rheumatism chronic,.....	32	" retroversion,	3
Sciatica,.....	5		
Senility,.....	3	Total,	321

NUMBER OF BIRTHS.

January,.....	2	August,.....	0
February,.....	2	September,.....	0
March,.....	0	October,.....	1
April,.....	2	November,.....	0
May,.....	2	December,.....	3
June,.....	0		
July,.....	2	Total,	14

Prepared by

WM. W. HAWKES, M. D.,

House Physician.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

NEW HAVEN, *January 18, 1882.*

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith respectfully submit the fifty-fifth annual report of receipts and disbursements, number of patients in Hospital, and other statistics of last year's business.

The number of patients remaining in the Hospital Dec. 31st, 1880, was 92—71 males, 21 females; admitted during the year 1881, 556—407 males, 149 females; making a total of 648 under treatment; 478 males, 170 females. Of this number 214 recovered; 164 males, 50 females. 210 were discharged improved, 56 unimproved, 65 died, and 103 remained under treatment December 31st, 1881. There were 14 births; 6 males, 8 females.

The whole number of weeks occupied was 4,640 $\frac{5}{7}$, of which 3,640 $\frac{5}{7}$ weeks were occupied by charity patients, or those not paying full rates. These came from 66 different towns and villages. The greatest number of patients any one day was 106, the lowest 76, the daily average being 89. The attendants and other inmates of the house have averaged 48 $\frac{3}{4}$, making a total of 137 $\frac{3}{4}$.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

The SUPERINTENDENT in account with GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

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1881. To amount received:

Balance from old account, Jan. 17, 1881,	\$163.15
Self-paying patients,	5,811.52
Various towns for support of patients,	9,204.68
United States " " "	1,480.50
State of Connecticut " "	5,725.14
State appropriation,	5,000.00
Hospital Leagues,	39.50
Sundries,	1,081.48
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	\$28,505.97
Orders on Treasurer,	25,412.34
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	\$53,918.31

1881. By amounts paid for:

Flour, 4,243 lbs.	\$185.75
Meal and Rice, 3,840 lbs.,	162.65
Bread and Crackers, 24,253 lbs.,	1,132.95
Cake,	133.34
Butter, 4,708 lbs.,	1,312.20
Cheese, 1,066 lbs.,	137.10
Meat, 41,795 lbs.,	4,363.12
Poultry, 3,696 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.,	708.71
Fish and Oysters, 6,249 lbs.; 146 galls.,	594.19
Vegetables and Fruit,	1,458.39
Eggs, 3,174 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz.,	799.35
Groceries,	1,627.83
Milk, 50,620 $\frac{3}{4}$ qts.,	2,153.39
Ice, 173,315 lbs.,	259.96
Liquors,	215.38
Ale and Beer,	328.55
Medicines,	1,270.36
Instruments,	331.26
Surgical Dressings,	470.96
Fuel,	2,446.25
Gas, 391,600 ft.,	837.03
Water,	150.00
Furniture and Crockery,	173.42
Clothes and Bedding,	254.01
Repairs and Improvements,	845.23
Postage, Printing and Stationery,	297.71
Barn and Farm expenses,	229.32
Salaries and Wages,	6,901.85
Potash and Soap,	173.42
Sundries,	373.37

Total current expenses,	\$30,327.05
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Special improvements, (Buck Fund,)	188.12
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Refunded to patients,	449.29
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Deposited with Treasurer,	22,683.75
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Balance on hand Jan. 18, 1882,	270.10
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\$53,918.31

Total current Hospital expenses,	30,327.05
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Less board of Superintendent's family and others,	757.86
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\$29,569.19

Number of weeks of Hospital care, 4,640 5 7.

Cost per week per patient,	\$6.37
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Total cost of food,	14,768.97
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Average daily number of inmates, 137 $\frac{3}{4}$.

Cost of food per day per inmate,	29 $\frac{1}{4}$ c
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Respectfully, J. H. STARKWEATHER, *Superintendent.*

GENERAL STATISTICS.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Remaining in Hospital, Dec. 31, 1880,	71	21	92
Admitted during the year 1881,	407	149	556
Total,	478	170	648
Of this number there have been discharged—			
Cured,	164	50	214
Improved,	151	59	210
Unimproved,	36	20	56
Died,	47	18	65
	398	147	545
Remaining under treatment Dec. 31, 1881,	80	23	103
Total,	478	170	648

MONTHLY ADMISSIONS FROM JAN. 1, 1881, TO DEC. 31, 1881.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
January,	26	18	44
February,	34	7	41
March,	31	16	47
April,	25	15	40
May,	33	13	46
June,	38	10	48
July,	42	10	52
August,	33	8	41
September,	33	15	48
October,	37	13	50
November,	35	7	42
December,	40	17	57
Total,	407	149	556

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

United States,	248	Norway,	2
Ireland,	185	Italy,	2
Germany,	51	West Indies,	2
England,	24	Cape De Verde,	2
Scotland,	13	Russia,	1
Canada,	9	Hungary,	1
France,	4	Mexico,	1
Nova Scotia,	4	Unknown,	3
Sweden,	4		
		Total,	556

AGE AT TIME OF ADMISSION.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 15 years,	28	7	35
From 15 to 20 years.	21	14	35
“ 20 to 30 “	97	55	152
“ 30 to 40 “	80	35	115
“ 40 to 50 “	77	21	98
“ 50 to 60 “	61	11	72
“ 60 to 70 “	35	4	39
“ 70 to 80 “	6	2	8
“ 80 to 90 “	1		1
“ 90 to 100 “	1		1
Total,	407	149	556

TIME OCCUPIED BY THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF PATIENTS.

U. S. Marine Patients,	221	3-7 weeks.
State Soldier “	1247	5-7 “
Town “	2301	1-7 “
Self-Paying “	743	6-7 “
Free Bed “	67	“
Charity “	59	4-7 “
Total,	4640	5-7

REPRESENTATION OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES OF CONNECTICUT
IN THE HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31st, 1881.

Ansonia,..... 34	Hamden,..... 6	Seymour, 3
Bethany,..... 1	Hartford, 3	Shelton, 1
Birmingham,..... 10	Killingworth,..... 1	Southbury, 1
Black Rock, 1	Litchfield,..... 1	Southford, 2
Branford, 1	Madison, 2	Southington, 15
Bridgeport,..... 14	Meriden, 37	Stamford, 2
Campville, 1	Middlefield, 2	Stony Creek, 1
Canterbury, 1	Middletown,..... 2	Thomaston, 1
Cheshire, 2	Milford,..... 3	Torrington, 2
Colechester, 1	Montville, 2	Union City, 2
Collinsville, 5	Naugatuck,..... 3	Unionville, 1
Danbury, 2	New Britain, 2	Wolcott, 1
Deep River, 1	New Haven, 263	Wallingford, 4
Derby,..... 3	New Milford,..... 3	Waterbury, 13
East Haven,..... 2	New Preston, 1	Waterville, 1
East Litchfield, 1	New Town, 1	Westbrook, 1
East River, 1	Niantic,..... 1	Westport, 1
East Suffield, 1	North Haven, 4	Wethersfield, 1
Essex, 1	Norwalk, 2	Whitneyville,..... 1
Fairfield, 1	Oxford,..... 1	Wilton, 1
Fair Haven, 20	Plantsville,..... 3	Woodbridge, 1
Greens Farms, 1	Roxbury, 1	Woodbury, 3
Guilford, 2	Salisbury, 1	Woodmont, 1
Hadlyme, 1	Sandy Hook, 1	

OCCUPATION.

Armorer,	1	Farmers,	22	Physicians,	3
Artist,	1	Fireman,	1	Piano tuner,	1
Barber,	1	Furniture polisher,	1	Plasterer,	1
Blacksmiths,	9	Gardeners,	2	Polishers,	4
Bolt makers,	4	Glass engraver,	1	Printer,	1
Book-keeper,	1	Grinders,	2	Quarryman,	1
Brakemen,	2	Grocer,	1	Rigger,	1
Brass workers,	10	Gun makers,	2	Rudder worker,	1
Brickmakers,	2	Harness maker,	1	Salesmen,	4
Broker,	1	Helper,	1	Scamen,	54
Burnisher,	1	Hostler,	2	Servants,	42
Burr makers,	3	House mover,	1	Silver platers,	5
Butcher,	1	Iron roller,	1	Silversmiths,	2
Car builder,	1	Jeweler,	1	Shop girls,	2
Carpenters,	5	Joiner,	1	Solderer,	1
Carriage makers,	3	Laborers,	68	Soldier,	1
Carriage painters,	2	Lawn dressers,	2	Spoon maker,	1
Chemist,	1	Liquor dealers,	8	Spring makers,	2
Cigar maker,	1	Locksmith,	1	Stone cutter,	1
Clerks,	4	Longshoremen,	2	Students	6
Clock makers,	2	Machinists,	6	Switchman,	1
Cooks,	2	Masons,	6	Tailors,	4
Cooper,	1	Mechanics,	10	Teacher,	1
Copper rollers,	3	Merchants,	2	Teamsters,	2
Corset presser,	1	Minister,	1	Tinsmith,	1
Corset stitchers,	3	Molders,	13	Traveling physician,	1
Cutlers,	3	Moulding maker,	1	Varnisher,	1
Dress maker,	1	Nurses,	2	Waiter,	1
Druggist,	1	Organ makers,	2	Waterman, R. R.	1
Editor,	1	Oystermen,	2	Weaver,	1
Engineer,	1	Painters,	7	Wire drawers,	2
Expressman,	1	Paper maker,	1	Wood dealer,	1
Factory girls,	4	Peddlers,	5	Wood workers,	2

STATEMENT OF DONATIONS RECEIVED AT THE
HOSPITAL FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DEC. 31, 1881.

Mrs. Henry Farnam, weekly papers and package old linen.
Dr. W. H. Carmalt, illustrated papers.
W. B. Fenn, 2 sets Harper's magazines.
Mrs. Henry Farnam, package religious papers.
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 5, $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen magazines.
Rev. Mr. Denton, papers.
Chas. H. Farnam, illustrated papers.
H. G. Chase, papers.
Miss Davenport, 15 books for library.
Mrs. Joel T. Riee, 3 books for library and 4 bottles of wine for the sick.
* Miss Carrington, illustrated and other papers.
Rev. Mr. Denton, illustrated papers.
Mrs. H. T. Blake, papers.
Friend, lot of books.
H. G. Chase, papers.
Mrs. H. L. Hotchkiss, magazines.
Mrs. Robert J. Minor, papers.
Edwin Stevens, illustrated papers.
R. B. Bradley, 1 bread slicer.
Mrs. H. T. Blake, illustrated papers.
Mrs. E. H. Trowbridge, Sr, illustrated papers and magazines.
J. A. Graves, magazines.
Rev. S. W. Williams, religious papers.
Mrs. H. T. Blake, illustrated papers.
Rev. Mr. Denton, religious "
Friend, several copies Frank Leslie's Monthly.
Mrs. Phineas Bartlett, 1 rubber day and night urinal.
Mrs. H. T. Blake, illustrated papers.
Wm. Goodno, magazines and papers.
H. Stevens, papers and books.
Mrs. Edward Heaton, 4 rubber water bed sections.
Friend, papers and magazines.
Chas. Mallory, large lot of illustrated papers.
Mrs. J. B. Carrington, papers.
F. Langzettell, large lot "Youths' Companions."
Mrs. B. R. English, large lot magazines.
Dr. Fred. Sumner Smith, glass test tubes, funnels, and filter papers for a
Laboratory.
H. G. Chase, papers.
Mrs. Sheffield, package old linen and muslin.

- Mrs. Townsend, package old linen and muslin.
 Mrs. Alling, " " "
 Unknown, 4 " " "
 Mrs. Eaton, " old muslin.
 Mrs. Chas. English, package old muslin.
 Levi C. Gilbert, " "
 Miss Davenport, " " and linen and dressing gown.
 Mrs. Henry Farnam, " old linen.
 S. H. Moseley, " "
 W. L. Kingsley, " "
 Mrs. Coles, " old muslin.
 Mrs. T. A. Leete, Northford, package old muslin and linen, and shirts.
 Mrs. W. L. Kingsley, package old linen.
 Unknown, 13 shirts.
 do package old linen.
 Mrs. Daniel Trowbridge, package old linen.
 Mrs. W. H. Foote, package old linen and muslin, and 2 books.
 Mrs. O. J. Whiting, " " muslin and papers.
 Unknown, " " "
 Mrs. S. H. Crane, " " linen.
 Mrs. Brett, " " "
 Mrs. W. J. Pratt, " " muslin.
 Mrs. Austin, " " " and half a dozen shirts.
 Unknown, 9 shirts, 2 prs. socks, 5 prs. men's drawers.
 do women's underwear.
 Miss Mix, package old linen.
 Mrs. Henry L. Hotchkiss, men's shirts, underwear and night shirts.
 Mrs. D. Dill, package old muslin.
 Church of the Redeemer, flowers.
 Mrs. Read, flowers several times.
 Mrs. F. M. Chapman, package old muslin and linen.
 Mrs. Atwater, 2 shirts.
 Mrs. Ives, 10 "
 Mrs. Chatfield, 5 shirts and 1 pair slippers.
 Mrs. Staples, 10 shirts, 10 prs. men's socks.
 Mrs. Pardee, package old muslin.
 Mrs. Treat, " " "
 Mrs. Whittelsey, " " "
 Mrs. Dr. Rodman, 9 shirts, (old).
 Mrs. Jenkins, package old muslin.
 Young Ladies' Christian Association, Church of the Redeemer, 4 wrappers for
 children
 Miss Monson.
 Friend, package old muslin.
 A. H. Buckingham, package old muslin.
 Miss Susan Osborne, 2 night dresses and sacque.
 Miss Chipman, flowers.
 Mrs. W. P. Downes, old muslin.

Mrs. N. R. Garfield, old shirts.

Mrs. Peck, old linen

Mrs. Woolsey, women's underwear.

Mrs. Clarke, old muslin and handkerchief.

Mrs. White, " " " linen.

Mrs. Carrington, old muslin and shirts.

Mrs. W. White, " " " handkerchiefs.

Friend, old muslin.

Mrs. Russell, flowers.

Friend, old linen.

" old night dresses.

John E. Earle, old muslin and linen, shirts and drawers

Mrs. Farnham, shirts.

Mrs. Merwin, old muslin.

Mrs. Levi D. Brown, old muslin and linen, 2 night shirts, 4 night dresses.

Miss C. R. Harris, box of old linen.

Mrs. J. S. Beach, 11 pairs socks and 9 shirts.

Friend, old muslin and linen.

Mrs. Tyler, night dresses and undergarments and child's dresses

Mr. Atwater, old muslin.

Miss Bradley, old muslin and linen.

Miss Hotchkiss, " "

Friend, " "

Mrs. Griffing, dressing gown used in the hospital at Shanghai, China

Mrs. Foster, 2 dressing gowns, 5 night shirts, 1 undershirt.

Y. W. C. A., Church of Redeemer, 3 child's wrappers.

Mrs. D. T. Trowbridge, old muslin and old linen pillow cases and sheets.

Friend, roll of old muslin and linen.

Friend, 17 magazines and books for children.

Friend, 13 shirts.

Mrs. Couch, package old muslin.

Mrs. Stone, " "

John Heller, suit of clothes.

Unknown, package old muslin and linen.

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Mrs. Pratt, old linen.

Mrs. Warner, "

Mrs. Knotwell, old linen and muslin.

Mrs. Palmer, " "

Mrs. Prof. Tracy Peck, old linen handkerchiefs.

Friend, bundle old linen and handkerchiefs.

Mrs. Hunt, bundle old handkerchiefs.

Mrs. Worden, bundle old muslin.

Friend, " "

Friend, 8 shirts, 2 night shirts, and underwear.

Mrs. Reynolds, old linen.

Friend, old handkerchiefs.

Friend, old linen.
 Mrs. Cone, old muslin.
 Rev. E. E. Atwater, old muslin.
 Mrs. Smith and daughter, old muslin and linen.
 Mrs. F. Hoyt, old linen.
 Mrs. Fitch, old muslin.
 Mrs. Botsford, "
 Friend, old linen.
 Mrs. Owens, old linen.
 Mrs. Parish, old muslin.
 Mrs. Little, old handkerchiefs and 2 shirts.
 Mrs. Rhee, old muslin and linen.
 Mrs. Crane, old muslin.
 C. F. Platt, old linen and handkerchiefs.
 Mr. Jenkins, old handkerchiefs.
 Mrs. Hawley, old sheets.
 Mrs. Gilpin, 2 night shirts, 1 night dress, 2 pair socks, old muslin and linen.
 Rev. Mr. Thorne, old linen and handkerchiefs.
 Miss Yale, old muslin.
 Friend, 3 shirts.
 Friend, 3 night dresses and underwear.
 Friend, large roll old linen.
 Mrs. Sarah Smith, 2 shirts, old muslin and linen.
 Mrs. S. E. Osborne, old muslin and linen.
 Mrs. Cowles, old linen.
 Mrs. Gray, old linen and handkerchiefs.
 John Coe, large package old linen.
 Friends, 1 night shirt, old muslin and linen.
 Friend, old muslin and linen.
 " " "
 Mrs. Ward, 2 shirts and old linen.
 W. H. Hyde, old linen.
 Friend, old linen and muslin.
 Mrs. Chas. P. Merwin, old muslin and 1 flannel shirt.
 Mrs. M. H. Smith, old linen, night shirt, underwear.
 Friend, old linen.
 Mrs. P. Millen, old muslin, 4 shirts.
 D. S. Thompson, 18 shirts.
 Mrs. James Hadley, 4 gallons ice cream.
 Friend, 6 shirts
 Mrs. Henry Hotchkiss, old muslin and linen, 1 shirt.
 Mrs. Justus Hotchkiss, old muslin and linen.
 Friend, 2 shirts and underwear.
 Mrs. Rich, dressing gown, 4 shirts, 3 pair socks.
 Friend, old muslin.
 Friend, old linen.
 Friend, old linen and muslin, 3 shirts, handkerchiefs and underwear.
 Friend, large roll old muslin

Mrs. C. T. Downes, old linen, 2 night dresses, 1 towel, 1 wrapper.
 Friend, old muslin and linen.
 Mrs. Fitch, several yards of new muslin.
 Mrs. J. Hotchkiss, old muslin and linen.
 Friend, old muslin.
 H. Stevens, old muslin and old flannel.
 Friend, old linen for lint.
 Friend, old muslin,
 Dr. W. W. Hawkes, old muslin and linen, and 6 shirts.
 Richard Fellowes, grapes.
 Mrs. Merwin, old muslin and linen.
 Friend, old muslin and linen, 4 pairs shoes, children's aprons unmade.
 A. Treat, old muslin and linen.
 Friend, " "
 J. R. Smith, suits of clothes, 1 hat, 1 pair shoes.
 Mrs. Smith, fine old linen.
 Edward Malley, paper boxes.
 J. N. Adam & Co, "
 Edward Malley, "
 Aaron E. Wilcox, 1 pair men's shoes.
 Mr. Morse, 1 hat, 2 shirts, underwear.
 Mr. Chatfield, old muslin, 1 shirt.
 Mrs. John Howarth, old muslin.
 Mrs. Mersiek, old muslin.
 Friend, 4 shirts, old muslin and linen.
 " 6 shirts.
 " old muslin and linen.
 Mrs. E. R. Fairchild, old muslin and linen.
 John E. Earle, 13 shirts, 2 night shirts, old linen and muslin.
 Mrs. Nelson Hall, 2 qt. jars cherries.
 Mrs. J. M. L. Scoville, roll old linen
 J. F. Bishop, 10 shirts, 6 handkerchiefs and old muslin.
 Mrs. Thacher, 2 night dresses, stockings, underwear and 1 chest protector.
 Mrs. A. C. Dickinson, old muslin.
 Mrs. Perit, 9 shirts, 2 vests, collars and cuffs, socks and underwear.
 Friend, old muslin and linen.
 Freddie Sanford, drawing slate and pictures.
 Friend, old muslin and linen.
 Mrs. H. W. Scoville, Waterbury, pictures for children.

For Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Everit, 2 turkeys.
 Mrs. Rich, 1 turkey.
 Mrs. Fitch, 1 "
 Mrs. E. S. Wheeler, 1 "
 Mrs. W. F. Gilbert, 1 "

Robert Morgan, 1 turkey,
 Lillie F. Parker, 1 "
 Wm. O. Armstrong, 1 "
 H. T. Blake, cash, \$5.00.

For Christmas.

Miss Munson, candy bags, toys, and various gifts.
 Miss DuBois, toys and various gifts.
 Mrs. Toof, basket of apples and cake.
 Strong, Hart, Barnes & Co., 2 turkeys.
 Mrs. T. H. Bishop, 1 turkey.
 Friend, 100 small boquets of choice flowers, with illustrated cards in envelopes
 addressed to each patient, and placed on their pillows during the night.
 Dr. Beckwith, cash, \$5.00.
 H. W. Farnam, cash, \$10.00.
 Henry Farnam, " \$50.00 to be expended for the comfort and pleasure of
 the patients.

DONATIONS ON HOSPITAL SUNDAY, 1881.

JANUARY 9th.

R S. Fellows,	\$50.00
Church of the United Society, (North Church),	135.15
Third Congregational Church,	38.70
Henry W. Farnam,	500.00
Mrs. Thomas R. Trowbridge,	25.00
First Church, (Center),	523.36
St. John's Church, (Episcopal),	14.15
Church of the Redeemer,	250.00
" " Messiah,	14.72
" " Ascension,	10.25
Calvary Baptist Church,	65.42
Westville Congregational Church, Westville,	20.16
Christ Church, Guilford,	22.18
Davenport Church,	62.52
First Congregational Church, North Haven,	10.65
Howard Avenue Congregational Church,	20.60
George St. M. E. Church,	14.00
Trinity Church,	722.75
Congregational Church, Seymour,	16.00
Trinity Chapel,	8.12
First M. E. Church,	44.31
East Congregational Church,	37.68
First Congregational Church, Fair Haven,	15.00
Mrs. T. D. Wheeler,	25.00
Mrs. F. B. Dexter,	10.00
Christ Church,	23.00
German E L Trinity Church,	5.65
Temple Street Congregational Church,	2.21
Dwight Place Church,	53.23
St. Patrick's (R. C.) Church,	40.00
St. John's (R. C.) Church,	38.11
Members of St. Paul's Church,	76.00
First Baptist Church,	85.69
Northford Congregational Church, Northford,	7.20

\$2,986.81

TREASURER'S REPORT.

THE GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT, in account with L. S.
HOTCHKISS, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

Jau. 1, 1881.	Balance old account,.....	\$955.39
	Collections, Hospital Sunday, 1881, (see mem.),...	2,986.81
	Donations from Henry W. Farnam, for special im-	
	provements,.....	99.02
	Donations from S. E. Baldwin, trustee, (Buck Est.),	1,820.17
	“ “ Henry Bronson, for free bed,.....	5,000.00
	“ “ Estate of Huldah Coe, Legacy,.....	500.00
	“ “ Mary E. Scranton,.....	25.00
	“ “ Wm. A. Ives,.....	25.00
	“ “ Theodore A. Tuttle,.....	10.00
	Cash, sundry persons,.....	23.00
	Interest, town of New Haven, on \$5,000 note, to	
	March 15,.....	125.00
	“ town of New Haven, on \$15,000 note, to	
	May 5,	375.00
	“ on \$700, bonds of Burlington, C. R. & N.	
	R. R., to June 1,.....	17.50
	“ “ M. C. and H. W. E. Munson, \$5,000	
	note, to December 7, 1881,.....	150.00
	“ “ \$4,000, City of N. H. bonds, due July 1,	100.00
	“ “ \$4,000, Del. & Hudson Canal Co.	
	bonds, due July 1,.....	140.00
	“ “ Town of New Haven, \$5,000 note, to	
	Sept. 15,.....	125.00
	“ “ Town of New Haven, \$15,000 note, to	
	March 5,.....	375.00
	“ “ \$700, B., Cedar Rapids & Northern	
	R. R. bonds, due December 1,.....	17.50
	“ “ M. C. and H. W. E. Munsou, \$5,000	
	note, to June 7, 1882,.....	150.00
	“ “ \$4,000, City of N. H. bonds, due Jan-	
	uary 1, 1882,.....	100.00
	“ “ \$4,000, Del. & Hudson Canal Co.	
	bonds, due Jan. 1, 1882,.....	140.00
	Amts. from J. H. Starkweather, Supt. in 1881,.....	22,215.11

\$35,474.50

1881.

PAYMENTS.

Amt. of orders to Prudential Committee.....	\$26,864.89
Society note, dated July 22, 1879, paid,.....	2,000.00
R. E. Rice, bill, paid,.....	11.20
Amt. paid for 4 bonds of \$1,000 each, Del. & H. Canal Co., @ 107,.....	4,280.00
“ “ 2 “ of \$100 each, B., C. R. & N. R. R, @ 101,.....	202.00
“ “ 1 “ of \$500 B., C. R. & N. R. R., @ 101,.....	505.00
“ paid Edwin E. Dow, bill,.....	75.00
“ “ O. A. Dorman, “	2.95
“ “ Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor, bill,.....	1.87
“ “ for stamps,.....	2.50
“ “ for envelopes,.....	.60
Dec. 31. Balance to new account, (General account,)...	\$1,316.90
“ “ (Buck Fund account,)	211.59
	————— 1,528.49
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	\$35,474.50

E. and O. E.,

LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, *Treasurer*.

I have examined the within and foregoing accounts and compared the same with the account as entered upon the books of the Treasurer, and have compared the payments therein made, with the vouchers therefor, and find the same correct. I also find that the Treasurer has in his possession the following securities and property belonging to said Hospital Society, viz..

\$4,000 bonds of the City of New Haven.

\$5,000 note of Mary C. and H. W. E. Munson, secured by mortgage.

\$15,000 note of the Town of New Haven.

\$5,000 note of the Town of New Haven.

\$4,000 registered bonds of the Del. & Hudson Canal Co.

\$700 bonds of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern R. R. Co.

HENRY D. WHITE, *Auditor*.

NEW HAVEN, January 25th, 1882.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS.

*To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society
of Connecticut:*

GENTLEMEN:—Our report for the past year will be found exceedingly brief. This is due to the fact that we have so little to criticise. Indeed, the sentiment of the Board runs to hearty commendation of Hospital superintendence and methods.

The improved plumbing appears to meet all present needs. Everything in that direction is now reasonably safe and sweet. Difficult as it must be to keep the sinks and drains in order, we see no failure or fault here.

The burning of bandages successfully carries out a previous suggestion. We feel that this practice ensures perfect safety to the Institution and its surroundings.

Perhaps, however, the refrigerator accommodations can be still further enlarged with good results.

Visits have been regularly paid by the Board to the different departments of the Hospital; and the public may rest satisfied that the Institution is a credit both to the State and City.

Very respectfully,

BENJAMIN F. MANSFIELD, *Chairman.*
MAIER ZUNDER,
C. H. WILLIAMS,
THOS. R. BACON,
E. W. BABCOCK, *Secretary.*

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

1. Applications for the admission of patients should be accompanied by a certificate from some respectable physician, stating the nature and probable duration of the disease, and should be addressed to the Superintendent of the Hospital, New Haven, Conn. In accordance with the regulations of the Hospital, the superintendent, as the representative of the prudential committee, arranges the terms of admission according to the circumstances of the case and the accommodation required.

2. The Nursing is performed by the Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

3. The ordinary charge per week for accommodation in the Wards is \$6 00, which includes medical and surgical attendance, together with medicine, nursing and washing.

4. Private rooms are furnished at \$12 00 or more per week according to the requirements of the case.

5. Persons partly supported by the towns in which they reside and partly by the State appropriation, are admitted on an order from the town authorities. Town patients are received at \$4 00 per week, the remainder is paid out of the State Appropriation.

6. Soldiers enrolled on the State quota in the late war and now residents are admitted as State patients, to receive treatment for wounds or disability, contracted in the service.

7. Sailors whose support is provided for from the marine hospital fund are admitted on the order of the collector of the port of New Haven.

8. Persons carried directly to the hospital from the place of an accident are admitted immediately.

9. A written history of the case should be sent with the patient.

10. *Insane persons* and those suffering from *contagious diseases* are not admitted.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.,

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In consideration of the admission of of into the Institution of the "General Hospital Society of Connecticut," at New Haven, I engage to provide, or pay for, a sufficiency of clothing for use, and pay to the Treasurer of said Institution dollars per week for board, medicine and medical attendance; and to cause said patient to be removed when discharged, without expense to said Institution, and, in the event of death, to pay the expense of burial.

Principal.

For value received, I hereby engage to become responsible for the fulfillment of the above stipulations.

APPENDIX.

THE CONNECTICUT TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

The Training School for Nurses has been established for eight years. At first the number of pupils was limited to six; within two years it was increased to eleven, then to fourteen, and these not being sufficient to meet the many demands for special and continuous attention which critical cases required, the prudential committee consented in December, 1880, to provide board and washing for seventeen pupils, a head nurse and an assistant. The pupils remain in the hospital for one year and pursue their studies and daily routine of work under the superintendence of the head nurse. Each nurse is assigned to one ward or department for several weeks, and in the course of a year has studied surgical, medical, and obstetrical nursing, and also the preparation of special dishes suitable for invalids and convalescents. Symptom records are kept which enable the physician to ascertain the varied phases of the disease since he last saw the patient.

At the close of the year of study the nurse has a vacation of one month, and then returns to take for five months such cases of private practice as shall be assigned to her. Her home is in the Hospital when her services are not called for elsewhere, and the school pays for all the nurses there in excess of the number allowed.

The hospital authorities appreciate most highly the advantages of having this school established here. Those who enter it either have a special gift for nursing or, with a true spirit of self-sacrifice, have devoted themselves to the noble work of ministering to others; consequently the duties of that department are performed more faithfully and more skillfully than in former years when it was thought that strength was the only requisite in a nurse.

Those wishing to receive this course of instruction must apply to the Secretary of the Society, when, if approved by the Executive Committee, they will be accepted as pupils in the Hospital. The candidates must be over twenty-two and under forty years of age, and must present a certificate from a clergyman and

physician as to their good moral character and sound health. They will be received for one month on probation and without compensation.

Information concerning the School will be furnished by the President, Vice-President, or other members of the Executive Committee.

Pupils are received from any State.

Applications for admission should be made as early as possible to the Secretary, Miss Emily Betts, 73 Whitney Ave., New Haven.

Physicians or others in any part of the State desiring to secure the services of trained nurses for men or women, medical or surgical patients, should apply by telegraph or letter, stating the nature of the case, to the Superintendent of Nursing, New Haven Hospital.

The price per week for the services of a trained nurse is \$12.00, unless two members of the family are ill at the same time, when there will be a slight additional charge. It cannot be too strongly impressed upon the public that it is more economical, and safer for the patient, to employ a reliable nurse, than to indulge in a natural but misplaced sentiment, which sacrifices the strength of an entire family in the care of one invalid member.

Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

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FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT



OF THE

DIRECTORS

OF THE

GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY

OF

CONNECTICUT,

FOR THE YEAR 1882.



Presented at the Annual Meeting, January 25th, 1883.



NEW HAVEN:

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1883.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

Item. I give and bequeath to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, in the City of New Haven, the sum of dollars, to be paid by my Executors, out of my real or personal estate, as soon as the settlement of my affairs will permit, to the Treasurer of said Institution for the time being, in trust, to be applied by the Directors thereof to the humane purposes of said Institution.

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GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

1883.

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A donation of \$5,000 entitles the donor, his heirs and assigns, to nominate patients to a free bed in perpetuity.

A donation of \$2,500 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed, in perpetuity, *for six months in each year*, or to nominate patients to a free bed during the life of the donor.

A donation of \$1,000 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed for any three months in each year during his life.

FREE BED FUND.

1874—HENRY FARNAM,	\$5,000
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1874—JAMES E. ENGLISH,	5,000
1878—ELLEN M. GIFFORD,	5,000
1881—HENRY BRONSON,	5,000
1882—HENRY BRONSON,*	2,500

PERMANENT FUND.

1877—IRENE LARNED,	\$5,000
1878—NELSON A. HOTCHKISS,	5,000

* Since the annual meeting Dr. Bronson has added \$2,500.00 to his previous donations, thus founding two full free beds in perpetuity, and giving the Hospital Society renewed occasion to acknowledge with gratitude his great liberality.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The Board of Directors has the honor to present herewith to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut its fifty-sixth annual report as prepared by the Prudential Committee.

Our report for the year 1882 shows a large increase of business over that of 1881 and, unfortunately, a still larger increase in our deficit.

We have had under treatment during the past year a total of 708 patients. There have been 17 births and 96 deaths. The maximum number of patients on any one day has been 122; the minimum, 89; the average, 106½. Thus our minimum last year was exactly equal to our average of the year before, while our average was greater by 19%. The average in 1880 was 81¾ and in 1879, 67½.

The Superintendent's balance-sheet shows the total earnings (deducting, as usual, from his total of receipts the balance from old account and the amount refunded patients) to be \$30,530.12; total expenses \$37,991.15; deficit \$7,461.03. These figures do not, of course, include our income from endowments, or from the contributions of Hospital Sunday, or from occasional donations, sent directly to the Treasurer. They do not, therefore, necessarily represent a deficit in the general balance-sheet of the Hospital. Moreover they are, taken by themselves, misleading, because the \$1,250.00 of the State appropriation, due for the last quarter and usually paid before the closing of our accounts, has not yet been received. As there can be no doubt that this will soon be sent in, our real deficit is reduced to \$6,211.03. But even this is greater than our last year's deficit by \$3,072.24, and demands an explanation.

If we look first at our earnings, we find them to be on an average (including the State appropriation still to be paid in) \$5.72 per week per patient in 1882, \$5.85 in 1881. This difference is due in part to our having had a less profitable class of private patients last year than the year before, the average receipts from that class being only \$6.64, as against \$7.81 in 1881, in part to the fact that the item of the State appropriation, being constant, naturally amounts to less per patient, the more patients we have.

If we turn on the other hand to our expenditures, we find the outlay per patient per week to have been . . . \$6.70 in 1882; 6.37 in 1881; dif. 33c. Of this sum the food cost 3.40 in 1882; 3.18 in 1881; dif. 22c. Furniture, repairs, etc., .40 in 1882; .27 in 1881; dif. 13c. Remaining items . . . 2.89 in 1882; 2.91 in 1881; dif. 2c.

Thus the 33 cents difference between 1881 and 1882 are made up of an increase of 22 cents on food, 13 cents on furniture and permanent improvements, and of a falling off of 2 cents on the other items. The furniture, etc., has been absolutely necessary in order to accommodate the large number of patients; and the outlay for food is due to a rise of price, not to extravagance, for we find that in all the principal items the consumption per patient has been either just the same, or a little less than in 1881. In view of this unavoidable deficit, a deficit owing partly to the falling off in receipts, partly to the increased cost of food, partly to the necessity of increasing our accommodations, we recommend that the question of providing against such an unfavorable balance in the future, be thoroughly studied by the Board of Directors at the beginning of the new year, and offer for their careful consideration the following facts* with regard to last year's business. There have been six classes of patients in the Hospital, distributed as follows:

Marine patients paying \$6.65 till July 1, now \$7.00 a week, occupying 296 $\frac{2}{7}$ weeks..				
Self-paying patients at \$15.00, 12.00, or 6.00				
or on an average . . .	6.64	"	"	1193 $\frac{2}{7}$ "
State soldier patients,	4.50	"	"	1534 $\frac{4}{7}$ "
Town patients, . . .	4.00	"	"	2407 $\frac{1}{7}$ "
Free-bed patients, . .	—	"	"	77 $\frac{5}{7}$ "
Charity patients, . .	—	"	"	44 $\frac{2}{7}$ "

The care of each patient cost us on an average \$6.70 a week; therefore the loss or gain for each class was as follows:

Marine patients, gain . . .	\$40.84 in the aggregate.
Self-paying patients, loss . . .	\$0.06 per week; \$71.60 "
State soldier " " . . .	2.20 " 3376.05 "
Town " " . . .	2.70 " 6499.33 "
Free-bed " " . . .	6.70 " 520.59 "
Charity " " . . .	6.70 " 296.67 "

\$10,764.24

Net loss, deducting gain on marines, \$10,723.40

* The statistics that follow could not be obtained in time for insertion in the original report but are printed with it on account of their bearing upon its recommendations.

This loss has been provided for as follows:

An annual appropriation of \$5,000.00 is given by statute to make good the loss on charity and town patients. As our loss on these two classes together was \$6,796.00 the appropriation fell short of its purpose by \$1,796.00. This was covered, with \$100.00 to spare, by our income of \$1,902.50 from invested funds.

The loss of \$3,376.05 on soldier patients was a little more than covered by the Hospital Sunday contribution of \$3,406.63.

The loss of \$592.19 on self-paying and free-bed patients was in part made up by sundry receipts and occasional donations, and in part shows itself in the shrinkage of our cash and bank balances. In other words we are obliged to eke out the State appropriation by using the income of our funds and to take up a contribution in the churches in order to help the State pay for the soldiers it undertakes to support. Neither of these results was, of course, contemplated, when the existing arrangements were made, but they have grown up gradually with the increase of town and soldier patients, and with the rise in the price of food, until we have now been brought to the unfortunate necessity of using up in alms to the State the means supplied by our generous friends for the care of the poor. We hope that this anomalous state of things will not be allowed to continue long, and that, whatever remedy may be thought desirable, whether an increase in the appropriation, or an increase in the rates, no time may be lost in securing it.

Two improvements of importance have been made on the premises during the past year. The Training School for Nurses has completed and occupied its new dormitory, thus securing much better accommodations for the nurses and giving the Hospital the use of the rooms formerly occupied by them. The rooms thus set free have been re-arranged so as to form a dining-room, a pantry, two clothes-closets and a bed-room, and still leave two large rooms for patients requiring special treatment. These changes will enable us to use the west mansard as a sick ward, and we have accordingly had new radiators for steam-heating put into it, and a bath-room and other conveniences added at the west end. The total cost of these improvements, which will not be far from \$1,000.00, will have to be met during the coming year.

Six of our soldier patients have been removed to Fitch's Home,

Noroton, thus relieving the pressure in our convalescent ward. The rate for the care of marine patients has been raised by the U. S. Government, at our request, from \$6.65 to \$7.00 a week, the change going into effect July 1st.

Among the gifts that the Hospital has received during the year we acknowledge with especial appreciation the liberal contribution of \$2,500.00 which Dr. Henry Bronson has added to the \$5,000.00 given in 1881.

We take pleasure, finally, in alluding to the continued efficiency and fidelity of the Training School for Nurses, and to the vigilance and care of the Superintendent and the various officers of the Hospital. We are also indebted to the Board of Visitors for their frequent visits, to the clergymen of New Haven who have conducted services in the chapel, and to the many friends who have kindly given their money and time for the comfort and pleasure of the patients at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

For the Board of Directors,

HENRY W. FARNAM,	} <i>Prudential</i>
WILLIAM H. CARMALT,	
THOMAS HOOKER,	

Committee.

NEW HAVEN, *January 25th*, 1883.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL BOARD.

To the Board of Directors of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:

GENTLEMEN:—The statistics of 1882 show a large increase in the number of surgical patients. We are greatly pleased with the complete and expensive electrical apparatus of sixty cells, which has been so generously provided, and we trust that our patients may obtain the full therapeutic value of this improvement.

During the past year an ambulance has been purchased by the town for the use of the Almshouse, and the Police Department has taken steps towards procuring one for use in cases of accident in the city. By these conveyances much suffering and danger will be prevented.

All who have opportunity for observation will see the need of more complete ventilation and warming for the full wards, and we believe the Prudential Committee and the Board of Directors will unite with the Medical Board in hoping that want of funds may not long hinder a thorough improvement in this respect.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. GILBERT, M. D.,

Secretary of the Medical Board.

NEW HAVEN, *January 6th*, 1883.

MEDICAL STATISTICS.

SURGICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING 1882.

Ablation of penis and testes,.....	1	Eczema,.....	7
Abscess iliac,	1	Elephantiasis Barbadosensis,.....	1
“ ischio-rectal,.....	3	Epididymitis,.....	2
“ gluteal,.....	1	Epithelioma cervix-uteri,.....	3
“ lumbar,	1	“ of ear,	1
“ palmar,.....	1	“ “ temple,.....	1
“ perineal,.....	1	“ “ vulva,.....	5
“ phalangeal,.....	1	Erysipelas traumatic,.....	1
“ psoas,.....	1	Fistula anal,	2
“ of thigh,.....	1	“ intestinal,	1
Aneurism external iliac,.....	1	“ lachrymal,.....	1
“ popliteal,	1	“ perineal,.....	1
Ankylosis of kneé joint,.....	4	“ vesico-rectal,.....	1
“ false of shoulder joint,	1	Foreign bodies in eye,.....	5
Arthritis of knee,.....	2	Fracture Colles,	3
Atrophy of optic disc,.....	1	“ costal,.....	2
Bed sores,.....	1	“ of femur,	5
Blepharospasm,.....	1	“ “ “ and radius,...	1
Burns,	14	“ “ “ “ patella,...	1
Calculus prostatic,.....	1	“ “ “ “ both hu-	
“ urethral,	1	meri,	1
“ vesical,.....	5	“ “ “ extra-capsular,	1
Carcinoma of axilla,	1	“ “ inferior maxilla,.....	1
“ “ mammary gland,..	3	“ “ ilium and fibula,.....	1
“ rectum,.....	1	“ “ olecranon,.....	1
Caries of sternum,.....	5	“ “ patella,.....	1
“ “ vertebrae,.....	2	“ “ pelvis,.....	1
Cataract,.....	7	“ “ vertebrae,.....	2
Chancre,.....	1	“ “ tibia and fibula,.....	7
Chancroid,	2	“ “ both ext. malleoli and	
Closed pupil,	1	head of radius,...	1
Compression of brain,.....	1	“ inter-condyloid of hume-	
Concussion of brain,.....	2	rus,.....	1
Conjunctivitis,	3	“ comp. of radius and ulna,..	1
Contracted tendons,	3	“ “ “ metatarsal bones, ..	1
Contusions,.....	16	“ “ “ tibia and fibula,...	3
Curvature spinal,.....	1	“ “ “ tibia,.....	1
Cystitis, chronic,	1	“ “ com. of leg,.....	4
“ and peritonitis,	1	“ “ “ “ fore-arm,..	1
Dislocation acromial end of		“ “ “ “ skull,.....	2
clavicle,.....	1	“ “ “ “ both legs, ..	1
Dislocation of humerus,.....	1	“ “ “ “ tibia and	
Ectropion,.....	1	femur,	1

Frozen feet,	1	Rachitis,	1
Genu varum,	2	Retro-version of uterus,	3
Glaucoma,	1	Rheumatism gonorrhoeal,	1
Gonorrhœa in male,	4	Rupture of caps. lig. of shoulder,	1
" " female,	1	Senility,	1
Granular lids,	3	Sprain of ankle,	3
Hæmorrhage from lingual tumor,	1	Synechia anterior,	1
Hæmorrhoids,	6	Stricture urethral,	13
Hernia,	3	Stump ulcer,	2
Hydrocele single,	2	Subluxation of patella,	1
" double,	1	Synovitis of knee,	2
Hystero-epilepsy,	1	" " ankle,	1
Impetigo contagiosa,	1	Syphilis,	10
Keratitis,	6	Talipes, varus,	2
Knee-joint, caseous degeneration		Tumors, abdominal,	3
of,	1	" dermoid cyst of cornea,	1
Laceration cervix-uteri,	3	" conjunctival,	1
" of perineum,	3	" fibro-cystic of neck,	1
" " " and cervix		" lingual,	1
uteri,	1	" lipoma of arm,	1
Leg crushed,	1	" myo-fibroma of uterus,	1
Lymphangitis,	3	" lympho-sarcoma of groin,	1
Lymphadenitis,	1	" odontoma of antrum,	1
Lymphadenoma,	3	" ovarian,	5
Mal-union of fracture,	1	" osteo-sarcoma inf. max.	1
Morbus-coxarius,	7	" sarcoma of humerus,	1
Muscular strain,	1	" sebaceous,	1
Necrosis of humerus,	1	" of skull,	1
" " ilium,	3	Ulcers,	16
" " inferior maxilla,	2	Uterus, scirrhus of,	1
" " superior " 	1	Veins, varicose,	1
" " tibia,	4	Wounds, fingers and thumb,	1
" " ischium,	1	" elbow,	1
" " tibia and humerus,	1	" incised of back,	1
Œdema glottidis,	1	" gun-shot of abdomen,	1
Opacity of cornea,	1	" " " head,	1
Orchitis,	5	" buzz-saw, of fore-arm,	1
Panophthalmitis traumatic,	1	" lacerato-contused of fore-	
" ulcerative,	1	arm,	1
Paralysis,	3	" scalp,	1
Pernio,	1	" skull punctured,	1
Phthisis bulbi-oculi,	1	" toes,	1
Pneumonia traumatic,	1	Unclassified,	8
Pott's disease,	2		
Prolapsus recti,	1	Total,	374
Prostatic hypertrophy,	2		

SURGICAL OPERATIONS PERFORMED DURING 1882.

Abscess, lumbar opened,.....	5	Paracentesis, knee joint,.....	1
Amputation of breast,.....	2	Perineorrhaphy,	3
“ “ cervix uteri,	1	Reduction dislocated shoulder,...	1
“ Chopart's,.....	1	Refracture of ulna,.....	1
“ of knee,.....	1	Resection, head of femur,.....	1
“ “ leg,	4	“ partial inf. maxilla,...	1
“ Pirogoff,	1	Rupture of contracted muscles, ..	2
“ of thigh,.....	3	Sinuses opened,.....	3
“ “ toes,	1	Strictures, urethral, dilated,	1
“ double, right leg,		“ “ divulsed, ...	3
“ and left thigh, ..	1	Tenotomy,.....	4
Avulsion of toe-nails,	1	Tracheotomy,	1
Canthoplasty, external,.....	1	Trachelorrhaphy,.....	4
Carcinoma of rectum, extirpa- tion,.....	1	Trephining, skull,.....	1
Cataract,.....	3	Tumors removed, cervix uteri,...	1
Circumcision,	1	“ “ epithelioma of vulva,.....	4
Enucleation of eye-ball,.....	3	“ “ lingual,	1
Excision of end of fibula,	1	“ “ lipoma of arm, ..	1
Extraction of bullet,	1	“ “ odontoma of antrum,...	1
Fistula in ano, division,.....	3	“ “ dermoid of cor- nea,.....	1
Hæmorrhoids, ligation,.....	4	“ “ cystic of neck, ..	1
Hydrocele, tapped,.....	3	“ “ conjunctival,..	1
Iridectomy,.....	6	“ “ scirrhus in ax- illa,	1
Irritation of fragments in un- united fracture,.....	1	“ “ submaxillary gland,	1
Laceration of secondary cataract,	3	Urethrotomy, external,.....	1
Lithotomy,.....	2	“ internal,	1
Lithotrity,.....	2		
Necrosis of tibia removed,.....	2		
Osteotomy,.....	8		
Os uteri, dilatation of,	1		
Ovariectomy,	3		
Paracentesis, corneæ,	2		
		Total,	114

Prepared by

L. T. DAY, M. D., *House Surgeon.*

MEDICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING THE
YEAR 1882.

Abortion,.....	2	Laryngitis, acute,	1
" threatened,.....	1	Leucorrhœa,	2
Abseess, mammary,.....	1	Lumbago,.....	1.
Alcoholism,.....	17	Malaria,	37
Anæmia,.....	4	Meningitis, tubercular,.....	1
" spinal,.....	1	Metritis, ehronic,.....	1
Aneurism, aortie,	2	Mitral lesion,.....	3
Anasarea, eardiac,.....	1	Nephritis, acute,.....	2
Apoplexy,.....	3	" ehronic,.....	7
Arthritis, ehronic,.....	3	Neuralgia	3
" deformans,	1	Neurasthenia,	4
Ascites,.....	1	Nostalgia,.....	1
Asearis lumbricoides,.....	1	Paralysis, agitans,.....	1
Ataxia loeomotor,.....	4	Paraplegia,.....	3
Bronehitis, acute,	6	Phthisis,.....	43
Carcinoma of stomach,	1	Pleuritis, acute,.....	3
Catarrh, gastro-intestinal,.....	1	" ehronic,.....	2
Chorea,	4	Pneumonitis, acute,.....	10
Cirrhosis hepatis,.....	3	" ehronic,.....	2
Constipation,.....	1	Poisoning, carbonic oxide,.....	1
Debility,.....	4	" lead,.....	4
Delirium tremens,	2	" strychnia,.....	1
Diarrhœa, ehronic,.....	7	Psoriasis,.....	1
Dysentery, "	2	Retroflexio uteri,.....	1
Emphysema pulmonalis,	1	Rheumatism, acute,.....	4
Endocarditis,.....	1	" ehronic,	19
Endometritis, ehronic, eervical, ..	1	" malarial,.....	3
Enteritis, catarrhal,	1	Rupture, abdominal, museles,...	1
Epilepsy,.....	2	Seiatica,.....	3
Erysipelas, faeial,	2	Seirrhus, os-uteri,	1
Fever, malarial,.....	17	Senility,.....	4
" typhoid,.....	15	Stenosis, aortic,.....	1
" typho-malarial,.....	2	Ulcer, gastrie,	1
Gastritis, ehronic,.....	1	Vaginitis,.....	1
Gout,.....	2	Varicose veins,	1
Hemiplegia,.....	12	Awaiting confinement,.....	21
Hysteria,	5	Unclassified,.....	11
Insanity,	3		

NUMBER OF BIRTHS.

January,.....	1	July,.....	0
February,.....	3	August,.....	0
March,.....	2	September,.....	4
April,.....	1	October,.....	0
May,.....	1	November,.....	2
June,.....	2	December,.....	1

Prepared by

F. H. WHEELER, M. D.,

House Physician.

CAUSES OF DEATH.

Abscess of fascia with hæmorrhagic diathesis,.....	1	Meningitis, acute,.....	1
Abscess psoas,.....	1	“ tubercular,.....	1
“ syphilitic,.....	1	Mitral lesion,.....	1
“ of thigh,.....	1	Necrosis of ilium,.....	1
Amputation at knee,.....	1	Nephritis, acute,.....	1
“ of leg,.....	1	“ chronic,.....	5
“ “ thigh,.....	1	Ovariectomy,.....	1
“ “ double, thigh and leg,.....	1	Paralysis with bed sores,.....	1
Aneurism, aortic,.....	1	Peritonitis,.....	1
“ external iliac,.....	1	Phthisis,.....	18
Apoplexy,.....	2	Pleuritis and pericarditis,.....	1
Asthenia,.....	3	Pneumonitis, acute,.....	2
Bronchitis,.....	2	“ chronic,.....	1
Burns,.....	5	“ traumatic,.....	1
Chloroform poisoning,.....	1	Pyæmia, chronic,.....	2
Cirrhosis, hepatic,.....	2	Railroad injury, complicated,...	1
Cystitis, chronic,.....	1	Scirrhus, os uteri,.....	1
Diarrhœa, chronic,.....	1	Senility,.....	1
Eclampsia, puerperal,.....	1	Stenosis, aortic,.....	1
Epilepsy,.....	1	Septicæmia, puerperal,.....	1
Epithelioma, cervix uteri,.....	3	Tumors, myo-fibroma of uterus,.	1
“ of ear,.....	1	“ osteo-sarcoma inf. max.	1
Fever, typhoid,.....	7	Ulcer, indolent with mitral insufficiency,.....	1
Fracture, compound of fore-arm and thigh,...	1	Uremia,.....	1
Fracture, compound-comminuted of skull,.....	2	Urethrotomy, external,.....	1
Hemiplegia,.....	2	“ internal,.....	1
Leucocythemia,..	1	Wounds, gun-shot of abdomen,.	1
		Total,	96

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

NEW HAVEN, *January 21, 1883.*

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith respectfully submit the fifty-sixth annual report of receipts and disbursements, number of patients in Hospital, and other statistics of last year's business.

The number of patients remaining in the Hospital December 31st, 1881, was 103—80 males, 23 females; admitted during the year 1882, 605—433 males, 172 females; making a total of 708 under treatment; 513 males, 195 females. Of this number 240 recovered; 174 males, 66 females. 219 were discharged improved, 57 unimproved, 96 died, and 96 remained under treatment December 31st, 1882. There were 17 births; 9 males, 8 females.

The whole number of weeks occupied was 5,553 $\frac{2}{3}$, of which 4,019 $\frac{2}{3}$ were occupied by charity patients, or those not paying full rates. These came from 84 different towns and villages. The greatest number of patients any one day was 122, the lowest 89, the daily average being 106 $\frac{1}{2}$. The attendants and other inmates have averaged 53 $\frac{5}{8}$, making a total of 160 $\frac{1}{3}$.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

The SUPERINTENDENT in account with GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

DR.

1882. To amount received:

Balance from old account, January 18th, 1882,	\$ 270.10
Self-paying patients,	7,815.95
Various towns for support of patients,	9,498.34
United States, " " " "	2,056.95
State of Connecticut " " " "	6,905.38
State appropriation,	3,750.00
Hospital Leagues,	22.95
Sundries,	915.72
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	\$31,235.39
Orders on Treasurer,	31,877.83
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	\$63,113.22

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1882. By amounts paid for:

Flour, 4,437 lbs.,	\$ 197.25
Meal and Rice, 4,270 lbs.,	191.03

Bread and Crackers, 28,076 lbs.,	\$1,321.86
Cake,	268.50
Butter, 5,553 lbs.,	1,709.22
Cheese, 1,070 lbs.,	145.74
Meat, 47,459½ lbs.,	6,198.73
Poultry, 4,390¼ lbs.,	890.86
Fish and Oysters, (199½ galls.), 7,488¼ lbs.,	985.96
Vegetables and Fruit,	1,592.46
Eggs, 3,445 doz.,	940.90
Groceries,	1,739.35
Milk, 57,953 qts.,	2,746.75
Ice, 154,905 lbs.,	297.38
Liquors,	353.97
Ale and Beer,	328.58
Medicines,	1,561.69
Instruments,	427.74
Surgical Dressings,	551.64
Fuel,	2,900.40
Gas, 460,903 ft.,	985.12
Water,	150.00
Furniture and Crockery,	378.44
Clothes and Bedding,	886.62
Repairs and Improvements,	957.64
Postage, Printing, and Stationery,	298.12
Barn and Farm expenses,	315.82
Tools,	9.60
Salaries and Wages,	7,458.68
Potash and Soap,	231.32
Insurance,	283.38
Sundries,	382.90
Extra nurses,	39.79

Total current expenses,	\$37,727.44
Electrical apparatus,	263.71
Refunded to patients,	435.17
Deposited with Treasurer,	24,658.43
Balance on hand, January 21st, 1883,	28.47
	<hr/> \$63,113.22

Total current Hospital expenses,	37,727.44
Less board of Superintendent's family and others,	507.83
	<hr/> \$37,219.61

Number of weeks of Hospital care, 5,553½.

Cost per week per patient, \$6.70

Total cost of food, 18,928.61

Average daily number of inmates, 160½.

Cost of food per day, per inmate, 32½c.

Respectfully, J. H. STARKWEATHER, *Superintendent.*

GENERAL STATISTICS.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Remaining in Hospital, Dec. 31, 1881,	80	23	103
Admitted during 1882,	433	172	605
Total,	513	195	708
Of this number there have been discharged—			
Cured,	164	68	232
Improved,	162	61	223
Unimproved,	39	22	61
Died,	72	24	96
	437	175	612
Remaining under treatment Dec. 31, 1882,	76	20	96
Total,	513	195	708

MONTHLY ADMISSIONS FROM JAN. 1, 1882, TO DEC. 31, 1882.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
January,	30	12	42
February,	31	21	52
March,	40	16	56
April,	38	17	55
May,	36	11	47
June,	37	18	55
July,	37	10	47
August,	40	10	50
September,	37	22	59
October,	41	11	52
November,	33	19	52
December,	33	5	38
Total,	433	172	605

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

United States,	329	Switzerland,	2
Ireland,	161	Portugal,	1
Germany,	46	Norway,	3
England,	15	Italy,	5
Scotland,	12	West Indies,	1
Canada,	3	Russia,	3
France,	2	Hungary,	2
Nova Scotia,	4	Unknown,	4
Sweden,	8		
Finland,	3	Total,	605
Austria,	1		

AGE AT TIME OF ADMISSION.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 15 years,	17	15	32
From 15 to 20 years,	30	13	43
“ 20 to 30 “	121	60	181
“ 30 to 40 “	90	26	116
“ 40 to 50 “	71	24	95
“ 50 to 60 “	61	18	79
“ 60 to 70 “	33	12	45
“ 70 to 80 “	9	4	13
“ 80 to 90 “	1		1
Total,	433	172	605

TIME OCCUPIED BY THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF PATIENTS.

U. S. Marine Patients,	296	2-7 weeks.
State Soldier “	1534	4-7 “
Town “	2407	1-7 “
Self-Paying “	1193	2-7 “
Free Bed “	77	5-7 “
Charity “	44	2-7 “
Total,	5553	2-7

REPRESENTATION OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES OF CONNECTICUT
IN THE HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31st, 1882.

Allington, 1	Fairfield, 1	New London, 2
Ansonia, 22	Fair Haven, 16	New Milford, 4
Branford, 4	Greens Farms, 1	New Haven, 265
Beacon Falls, 1	Greenwich, 1	New Preston, 1
Bethel, 2	Groton, 1	North Haven, 6
Birmingham, 8	Guilford, 1	Norwalk, 3
Bridgeport, 23	Hamden, 5	Old Lyme, 1
Bristol, 1	Hartford, 1	Old Saybrook, 1
Berlin, 1	Harwinton, 1	Orange, 2
Cheshire, 3	Hebron, 1	Plainville, 3
Centerbrook, 1	Huntington, 2	Plantville, 1
Clinton, 3	Litchfield, 1	Pine Meadow, 2
Cornwall, 1	Meriden, 24	Portland, 3
Danbury, 2	Milton, 2	Prospect, 1
Derby, 4	Milford, 4	Rockville, 1
Deep River, 3	Middletown, 1	Seymour, 6
Durham, 1	Mt. Carmel, 1	Shelton, 3
East Haddam, 1	Naugatuck, 14	Sherman, 1
East Hampton, 1	New Britain, 4	Southport, 1
East Haven, 2	New Hartford, 2	Southbury, 4

Southington,	6	Unionville,	2	Waterville,	1
Stamford,	3	Waterbury,	13	Winsted,	1
Stonington,	1	Watertown,	2	Woodbury,	1
Thomaston,	7	Waterford,	1	Westbrook,	1
Terryville,	1	West Haven,	1	Westport,	2
Union City,	2	Wallingford,	3	Whitneyville,	2

OCCUPATION.

Agent,	1	Dress makers,	2	Patent solicitor,	1
Barber,	1	Druggist,	1	Peddlers,	2
Blacksmith,	13	Engineer,	1	Polishers,	4
Brakemen,	10	Factory girls,	3	Porter,	1
Brass workers,	6	Factory supt.	1	Plumbers,	3
Banker,	1	Farmers,	13	Physicians,	3
Brass spinner,	1	Firemen,	3	Quarymen,	2
Brass molder,	1	Gardeners,	7	Rubber cutters,	3
Brickmakers,	1	Gas fitter,	1	Rubber workers, ...	5
Butchers,	2	Grocer,	1	Servants,	32
Brewers,	2	Gilder,	1	Seamen,	55
Britannia worker, ..	2	Gun-maker,	1	Salesmen,	3
Box maker,	1	Hack drivers,	2	Stage driver,	1
Brush maker,	1	Harness makers, ...	4	Seamstresses,	2
Bullet molder,	1	Hostler,	4	Stewards,	1
Bar-tender,	3	Hotel-keeper,	1	Steam-fitter,	3
Boot makers,	2	Iron foundry,	2	Silver-plater,	1
Builder,	1	Jeweler,	1	Spinner,	1
Carpenters,	8	Joiners,	2	Ship carpenter,	1
Carriage maker,	1	Laborers,	86	Shirt ironer,	1
Carriage painters, ...	5	Lace maker,	1	Shoe dealer,	1
Clerks,	3	Lamp maker,	1	Shoe maker,	3
Clock makers,	6	Laundress,	1	Stone cutter,	3
Cooks,	3	Liquor dealer,	1	Students,	3
Coopers,	2	Locksmith,	1	Tally-man, R. R., ...	1
Copper roller,	1	Machinists,	8	Tailors,	4
Corset stitcher,	1	Masons,	7	Tailorress,	1
Corset ironer,	1	Manufacturers,	2	Teachers,	1
Coal heaver,	1	Metal turner,	1	Teamsters,	4
Cloth finisher,	1	Mechanics,	4	Tinsmith,	5
Clergyman,	1	Merchants,	1	Turner,	1
Cleaner,	1	Musician,	1	Waiters,	5
Chair makers,	2	Molders,	9	Watchman,	1
Cabinet makers,	2	Nurses,	4	Watchmaker,	1
Carriage trimmer, ..	1	Oysterman,	1	Weaver,	1
Circular sawyer, ...	1	Painters,	7	Wheelright,	1
Coachmen,	2	Paper maker,	1	Wood chopper,	1
Cutlers,	3	Printers,	4		

STATEMENT OF DONATIONS RECEIVED AT THE HOSPITAL FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1882.

Children of Dr. G. B. Farnam, 1 Orguinette, (Christmas, 1881.) S. B. Butler, papers and magazines. Mrs. S. H. Chapman, Magazines. Miss Carpenter, magazines. Rev. E. W. Babeock, 1 book for library. H. B. Harrison, papers and magazines. Friend, keg of oranges for patients. Mrs. R. J. Minor, papers and magazines. Rev. E. E. Atwater, testament in large type. H. T. Blake, illustrated papers. Mrs. Everit, papers and magazines. H. G. Chase, papers. Mrs. Porter, Scribner's magazines. Edward Stevens, illustrated papers. Fire Engine Company No. 5, magazines. H. G. Chase, papers. Dr. Geo. B. Farnam, roll of old linen, 1 splint, 5 bottles Squibbs' fluid extract, 2 lb. ether, 1 oz. salicine, and sundry other medicines. Mrs. S. E. Burrows, papers and magazines. Mrs. Elliott, 1 bed-pan, 1 inhaler. Mrs. Chas. D. Miller, pamphlets and magazines. A. C. Jones, several books for library. H. B. Harrison, papers and magazines. H. W. Farnam, bill of window screens for children's ward, \$75.00. Mrs. Henry Farnam, new carpet for housekeepers' room. Mrs. Purves, 1 feather pillow, 1 bedquilt. H. G. Chase, newspapers. Rev. B. M. Fay, 7 books for library. Rev. Mr. Denton, papers. John G. North, 26 tickets for admission of patients to concert of "royal hell ringers." Mrs. Purves, 1 framed picture, lot of crockery, roll of old linen. Estate of Rev Dr. Bacon, 2 book rests, 1 air cushion, 1 rubber syringe, papers, 1 pr. crutches, 1 invalid's rolling chair, 1 electrical machine. Mrs. J. H. Moore, magazines and papers. Mrs. Purves, 1 basket, 1 office arm chair. Mrs. W. H. Goodrich, 1 invalid rolling chair. H. G. Chase, papers. Mrs. R. T. Merwin, papers and magazines. Dr. F. E. Beckwith, 3 vols. Harper's and Century magazines. Max Adler, 3 books for library. Mrs. Shipman, magazines. Miss Abbie C. Cone, papers and magazines. Mrs. M. F. Tyler, papers. H. G. Chase, papers. Ella M. Granniss, papers. H. G. Chase, papers. A. McAlister, old muslin and shirts. Friend, old shirts. Mrs. J. K. Thacher, infant's clothes. E. H. Jenkins, 1-2 doz. old handkerchiefs. Mrs. Ellen Cowles, 1 pair shoes. Mrs. E. C. Beecher, large bag new muslin pieces. Mrs. Prof. Newton, large roll flannels and muslin. Miss Hawkins, 2 old sheets. Friend, roll of old linen. Miss Yale, roll muslin. A. C. Jones, roll old linen and muslin. Mrs. Baldwin, roll old muslin. Mrs. R. A. Brown, roll old muslin and linen. Friend, roll old muslin and linen. Friend, roll old muslin and linen. Friend, 1 old sheet and linen. Friend, 3 rolls old linen. Friend, 1 roll old flannel. J. B. Baldwin, large roll old muslin. Mrs. Horace Fitch, large roll old muslin and linen. Mrs. J. G. Lewis, large roll old muslin and linen. Miss Carpenter, large roll old muslin and linen. Mrs. Enos A. Hale, 3 old sheets and old linen. Mrs. J. B. Baldwin, large roll old muslin. Mrs. W. F. Baldwin, old muslin. Mrs. Dr. Wells, old linen. Miss Hillhouse, old

linen. Mrs. J. B. Carrington, old linen and muslin. Henrietta Ingersoll, 2 beautiful paper dolls and dresses for the little girls. Mrs. Jonathan Ingersoll, large box toys for children. Mrs. Thomas Hooker, 8 infants' dresses and socks, mittens and leggings, shawl and hood. J. C. Hollister, old linen, muslin and flannel. Miss Mollie Peck, old linen and muslin. Mrs. N. F. Hall, muslin, flannel and shirts. Mrs. Sperry, 3 pr. woolen dresses, and shirt, Mrs. Everit, old linen. Unknown, 3 shirts. Miss L. E. W. Jocelyn, 10 night dresses. Friend, 10 night dresses and undergarments. Mrs. M. B. Hart, large roll old muslin. H. H. Peck, large roll old muslin and linen. Mrs. Tyler, toys for the children, undergarments, and old muslin. Friend, 21-2 doz. cup buns for children and women, Good Friday. Mrs. Chatfield, old muslin. Friend, old muslin. W. W. Galpin, old muslin. Mrs. Bryan, old muslin. Mrs. Perit, flowers. Prof. F. Carter, large lot of women's and children's clothing. Friend, bed-pan, urinal, syringe, and old muslin. Friend, old linen. Misses Ely of Hartford, through Mrs. Noah Porter, large box of beautiful flowers. Miss E. S. Hotchkiss, undershirts and old muslin. Mrs. P. Miller, undergarments. Mrs. J. K. Thacher, old muslin, blue flannel jacket, and other garments. Mrs. Warner, flowers (violets) for children. Friend, old muslin. Miss Hawes, 1 wrapper. Mrs. James Barker, old muslin and linen, undergarments, tumbler of jelly. Mrs. Bartlett, old linen. Mrs. Henry Hotchkiss, old linen and muslin. Miss Fellowes, 3 framed pictures for children's ward. Miss Julia Miller, 3 granite saucepans, 1 flesh brush, medicine tube and stockings. Mrs. Andrews, old linen and muslin. Friend, old muslin. Friend, old linen. Mr. R. S. Fellowes, large roll old linen. Mrs. Martin, old muslin. H. D. Woodward, old linen. Rev. Mr. Thorne, peaches for children. Friend, old linen. Mrs. W. R. Smith, old muslin and linen. Friend, old muslin and linen. Mrs. E. E. Atwater, 7 undergarments and night dresses, and old linen. Mrs. Hotchkiss, old linen and muslin, 3 vests, 1 doz. shirts. Y. M. C. A., 1 box of flowers. Dr. Allen, old linen and muslin, and undergarments. Mrs. Tracy, old linen and muslin, and undergarments. Mrs. Dr. Foster, 2 night-dresses, 2 flannel sacks. Mrs. Remsel, old linen and underwear, 6 boxes strawberries, 26 bananas, toys, and flowers for children. Mrs. Dr. Chapman, large lot of clothing, &c., for children and infants. H. B. Harrison, 20 prs. stockings and underwear. Mrs. Wilson, basket of roses. Mrs. Dr. Bacon, night dresses, slippers, old muslin. Mrs. E. T. Fitch, a tea party for the children. C. B. Willis, box of roses. Dr. Thomas H. Russell, magic lantern entertainment for children, with strawberries and cream. Mrs. Smith, old linen and muslin. Friend, old linen and handkerchiefs. Friend, old linen and muslin. H. W. Farnam, several illustrated English papers sent from London. A. L. Smith, old linen and muslin. Friend, 4 shirts, 6 prs. stockings. Friend, roll of old linen. Mrs. E. J. Harrison, old linen and muslin. Friend, box of geraniums. Miss M. H. Peck, old muslin. Mrs. Dr. Thacher, 2 lap robes, and 2 sacques for children, and underwear for men and women. Mrs. Warner, old muslin. Mrs. Hastings, old muslin. Friend old muslin and linen, and 9 shirts. Mrs. J. B. Struthers, old muslin and linen and 9 shirts. Mrs. Russell, old linen. Friend, old linen and muslin.

Friend, fine old linen. Friend, old muslin. Mrs. Sperry, grapes for patients. Mrs. Wayland, flowers. Mrs. Howard Fitch, old muslin and linen. Friend, old muslin. Miss DuBois, old linen table cloth. E. H. Jenkins, 1 basket grapes. Geo. Hale, shirts and drawers. Mrs. Carrington, 2 undergarments, and old linen and muslin. Mrs. John E. Earle, 8 shirts, flannel underwear and stockings. Mrs. Frederick Ives, 5 shirts and underwear. Mr. Read, flowers. Miss Betts, old linen. Mrs. Manville, 13 pieces infant's clothing. Mrs. Hooker, old linen, 2 dresses, infant's clothing, underwear. Mrs. H. M. Hotchkiss, 5 shirts. Friend, 2 shirts and underwear. Mrs. Sanford, grapes. A. H. Bradley, 9 shirts. Mrs. Yale, old muslin. Mrs. Dr. Sanford, old linen and flannel undergarments. Friend, 5 shirts and collars. Mrs. Russell, 4 prs. children's stockings. Friend, old muslin and linen, 3 prs. drawers and 6 prs. socks. Mrs. Seth B. Howe, Brewsters, Putnam Co., N. Y., large roll old fine linen. Friend, 3 shirts, underwear, old muslin. Mrs. Eaton, 4 shirts, 3 nightingales, baby's blanket. Friend, old muslin. Miss Susan Bradley, 2 toilet sets, including pin cushions. Mrs. Rowe, old linen and muslin. Friend, old muslin. Miss Martin, flannel wrapper and underwear. Wm. Wells, old linen and muslin. Mrs. Francis Wayland, 3 shirts, gray cloth dressing gown. Friend, old muslin. Ladies' Aid Society, Church of the Redeemer, 7 toilet sets, magazines. Mrs. Dr. Bacon, large roll old linen and muslin, 3 shirts, 3 undergarments. Miss Sperry, copies of Christian Union, 1 shirt. Miss Abbie C. Cone, large roll old linen, and muslin, and flannel, table cloth, 80 old napkins, 13 undergarments.

For Thanksgiving.

Miss Thorn and friends, elegant baskets of fruit and flowers for women's and children's wards. H. W. Farnam, \$10.00. H. T. Blake, \$5.00. E. Marble, 1 turkey. Miss Lillie F. Parker, 1 turkey. Mrs. Wm. Fitch, 1 turkey. Mrs. Frances P. Gilbert, 1 turkey. Mrs. Everitt, 2 turkeys. Mrs. Bolling, 1 fowl. Wm. O. Armstrong, 1 turkey. Robert Morgan, 1 turkey. Prof. and Mrs. Salishury, 1 turkey.

For Christmas.

Henry Farnam, \$50.00. Dr. F. E. Beekwith, \$5.00. Mrs. T. H. Bishop, 1 turkey. Children of Dr. Geo. B. Farnam, 1 black walnut hook case and 25 volumes for commencement of a children's library. Miss Susan Osborne, cards for patients. Miss Pardee, large portfolio of pictures. Margaret Foster, toys and illustrated books. Friend, 100 small bouquets, with illustrated cards in envelopes addressed to each patient, and placed on their pillows during the night. Mr. Fellowes, Christmas letter for each patient. Miss Martha Fellowes, 5 illustrated books for children. Miss Thorn and friends, a Christmas tree and entertainment in the evening, with gifts for all the patients, and instrumental and vocal music.

DONATIONS ON HOSPITAL SUNDAY, 1882.

JANUARY 8th.

From the Ev. Lutheran Trinity Church,	\$ 6.71
“ Church of the United Society, (North Church),	171.35
“ St. John's Episcopal Church,	38.33
“ First Church, (Center),	1,476.82
“ Christ Church, Guilford,	22.82
From Willis Benham,	10.00
From the Dwight Place Church,	34.00
“ Trinity Church,	556.37
“ First Congregational Church, Fair Haven,	23.00
“ Church of the Redeemer,	169.00
“ Grace Church, (Episcopal),	10.00
“ Davenport Church,	63.12
“ Howard Avenue (Congregational) Church,	17.76
“ St. Thomas Church,	71.00
“ Congregation Mishkan Israel,	90.00
“ Church of the Sacred Heart, (R. C.),	75.00
“ Wesley Chapel,	8.22
“ Third Congregational Church,	73.00
“ Westville Congregational Church,	20.75
“ Church of the Ascension,	20.00
From R. S. Fellowes,	50.00
“ Trinity Chapel,	8.58
“ St. John's Church, (R. C.),	22.77
“ Christ Church,	13.52
“ Calvary Baptist Church,	100.00
“ Mrs. T. D. Wheeler,	50.00
“ Congregational Church, Seymour,	21.06
“ First Congregational Church, Milford,	7.16
“ Congregational Church, North Haven,	13.61
“ George Street M. E. Church,	10.00
“ First Methodist Church,	59.58
“ St. Paul's Church,	38.00
“ Second Congregational Church, Fair Haven,	1.10
“ First Baptist Church,	50.00
“ Northford Congregational Church,	4.00

\$3,406.63

TREASURER'S REPORT.

THE GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT in account with
LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

Jan. 2d, 1882.	Balance old account, (gen'l acct.).....	\$1,316.90	
"	" (Buck Fund).....	211.59	
			\$1,528.49
	Collections Hospital Sunday, 1882, (see mem.)..		3,406.63

DONATIONS AND LEGACIES.

From Eugene S. Bristol.....	\$50.00	
" Mrs. Emily W. Fitch.....	50.00	
" Thomas Hooker.....	25.00	
" Joshua Coit Estate, (Legacy).....	250.00	
" Henry Bronson.....	2,500.00	
" R. S. Fellowes, for electrical apparatus.....	251.00	
" First Cong'l Church, Waterbury, Sunday School.....	25.00	
" Robert Ogden DuBois.....	25.00	
		3,176.00
Interest on Town of New Haven, \$5,000 Note, to March 15th.....	125.00	
Interest on Town of New Haven, \$15,000 Note, to May 5th.....	375.00	
Interest on \$700, Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern R. R. Bonds, to June 1st.....	17.50	
Interest on M. C. and H. W. E. Monson Note, \$5,000, to Dec. 7, 1882.....	150.00	
Interest on \$4,000, City of New Haven Bonds, to July 1st.....	100.00	
Interest on \$4,000, Del. and Hudson Canal Co. Bonds, to July 1st.....	140.00	
Interest on Town of New Haven, \$5,000 Note, to Sept. 15th.....	125.00	
Interest on Town of New Haven, \$15,000 Note, to Nov. 5th.....	375.00	
Interest on \$1,400, Burlington, C. R. and Northern R. R. Bonds, to Dec. 1st.....	35.00	
Interest on M. C. and H. W. E. Monson Note, \$5,000, to June 7th, 1883.....	150.00	
Interest on \$4,000, City of New Haven Bonds, to Jan. 1st, 1883.....	100.00	
Interest on \$4,000, Del. and Hudson Canal Co. Bonds, to Jan. 1st, 1883...	140.00	
Interest on 40 Shares Merchants' Nat'l Bank Stock, to Jan. 1st, 1883.....	70.00	
		1,902.50
Amts. from J. H. Starkweather, Supt., in 1882..		25,365.45
		\$35,379.07

PAYMENTS.

	Amt. of Prudential Committee orders paid	\$30,782.73
	“ paid for \$700, Bonds Burlington, C. R. and Northern R. R. Co.....	700.00
	Amt. paid for 40 Shares Merchants' National Bank, N. H., Stock.....	2,480.00
Jan. 1st, 1883.	Balance to new acct., (gen'l acct.).....	\$ 1,224.75
	“ “ “ (Buck Fund).....	191.59
		<hr/> 1,416.34
	Respectfully submitted,	<hr/> \$35,379.07
	LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, Treasurer.	

NEW HAVEN, CONN., January 17th, 1883.

This may certify that we have this day examined the foregoing statement of Mr. L. S. Hotchkiss, Treasurer of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, for the year ending with December 31st, 1882, compared the vouchers therewith, and find the same correct; showing a balance of cash on hand, amounting to fourteen hundred sixteen and 34-100 dollars; and we further find the following securities with the Treasurer:

- \$4,000, Bonds of the City of New Haven.
- 5,000, Note and Mortgage of M. C. and H. W. E. Monson.
- 15,000, Note of the Town of New Haven.
- 5,000, Note of the Town of New Haven.
- 4,000, Registered Bonds of the D. and H. Canal Co.
- 1,400, Bonds of the Burlington, C. R. and N. R. R. Co.
- Forty Shares of the Merchants' Bank of New Haven.

THOMAS I. RAYMOND,
JAMES S. PARSONS,
Auditors of Public Accounts.

We have examined the within and foregoing account, and compared the same with the account as entered upon the books of the Treasurer, and have compared the payments therein made with the vouchers therefor, and find the same correct. We also find that the Treasurer has in his possession the following securities and property belonging to said Society, viz.:

- 4 Bonds, \$1,000 each, of the City of New Haven.
- 4 Registered Bonds, \$1,000 each, Del. and Hudson Canal Co.
- 2 Bonds, \$500 each, Burlington, Cedar Rapids and N. R. R. Co.
- 4 “ \$100 “ “ “ “ “
- 40 Shares Merchants' National Bank, of New Haven, Stock.
- Note of Town of New Haven, \$15,000.
- Note of Town of New Haven, \$5,000.
- Note, secured by Mortgage, of Mary C. and H. W. E. Monson for \$5,000.

DANIEL TROWBRIDGE,
HENRY D. WHITE,
Auditors.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., January 24th, 1883.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :

GENTLEMEN :—In compliance with the By-Laws and Regulations of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, the Board of Visitors herewith submits its annual report of the matters committed to its supervision. The visits of the members of the Board have been regularly made as required by the By-Laws, and diligent and systematic inquiry has been made “into the economical administration of the Hospital, and such other matters as are connected with the care and comfort of the patients.” The Board is gratified in being able to report that, with the exception of an occasional complaint as to the cooking, its investigation of the management of the Hospital has been entirely satisfactory. The attention of the Superintendent of the Hospital has been called to the complaints referred to, and the causes of complaint have been promptly rectified and removed. The patients in the Hospital cheerfully and uniformly bear testimony to the skill and kindness of their physicians and nurses, and your Board is satisfied that nothing is left undone which might promote the welfare and comfort of the unfortunate sufferers who are brought to the Hospital for medical and surgical treatment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. F. MANSFIELD,
THOMAS S. SAMSON,
THOS. R. BACON,
MAX ADLER,
E. W. BABCOCK.

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

1. Applications for the admission of patients should be accompanied by a certificate from some respectable physician, stating the nature and probable duration of the disease, and should be addressed to the Superintendent of the Hospital, New Haven, Conn. In accordance with the regulations of the Hospital, the superintendent, as the representative of the prudential committee, arranges the terms of admission according to the circumstances of the case and the accommodation required.

2. The Nursing is performed by the Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

3. The ordinary charge per week for accommodation in the Wards is \$6.00, which includes medical and surgical attendance, together with medicine, nursing and washing.

4. Private rooms are furnished at \$12.00 or more per week according to the requirements of the case.

5. Persons partly supported by the towns in which they reside and partly by the State appropriation, are admitted on an order from the town authorities. Town patients are received at \$4.00 per week, the remainder is paid out of the State Appropriation.

6. Soldiers enrolled on the State quota in the late war and now residents are admitted as State patients, to receive treatment for wounds or disability, under the Act of the General Assembly of 1878.

7. Sailors whose support is provided for from the marine hospital fund are admitted on the order of the collector of the port of New Haven.

8. Persons carried directly to the hospital from the place of an accident are admitted immediately.

9. A written history of the case should be sent with the patient.

10. *Insane persons* and those suffering from *contagious diseases* are not admitted.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.,

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In consideration of the admission of of into the Institution of the "General Hospital Society of Connecticut," at New Haven, I engage to provide, or pay for, a sufficiency of clothing for use, and pay to the Treasurer of said Institution dollars per week for board, medicine and medical attendance; and to cause said patient to be removed when discharged, without expense to said Institution, and, in the event of death, to pay the expense of burial.

Principal.

For value received, I hereby engage to become responsible for the fulfillment of the above stipulations.

Surety.

APPENDIX.

THE CONNECTICUT TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

The Training School for Nurses has been established for nine years. At first the number of pupils was limited to six; within two years it was increased to eleven, then to fourteen, and these not being sufficient to meet the many demands for special and continuous attention which critical cases required, the prudential committee raised the number to seventeen in 1880, and to nineteen in 1882, making, with the head nurse and assistant, a nursing force of twenty-one. The pupils remain in the hospital for one year and pursue their studies and daily routine of work under the superintendence of the head nurse. Each nurse is assigned to one ward or department for several weeks, and in the course of a year has studied surgical, medical, and obstetrical nursing, and also the preparation of special dishes suitable for invalids and convalescents. Symptom records are kept which enable the physician to ascertain the varied phases of the disease since he last saw the patient.

At the close of the year of study the nurse has a vacation of one month, and then returns to take for five months such eases of private practice as shall be assigned to her. Her home is in the Hospital, when her services are not called for elsewhere, and the school pays for all the nurses there in excess of the number allowed.

The Hospital authorities appreciate most highly the advantages of having this school established here. Those who enter it either have a special gift for nursing or, with a true spirit of self-sacrifice, have devoted themselves to the noble work of ministering to others; consequently the duties of that department are performed more faithfully and more skillfully than in former years, when it was thought that strength was the only requisite in a nurse.

Those wishing to receive this course of instruction must apply to the Secretary of the Society, when, if approved by the Executive Committee, they will be accepted as pupils in the Hospital. The candidates must be over twenty-two and under forty years of age, and must present a certificate from a clergyman and

physician as to their good moral character and sound health. They will be received for one month on probation and without compensation.

Information concerning the School will be furnished by the President, Vice-President, or other members of the Executive Committee.

Pupils are received from any State.

Applications for admission should be made as early as possible to the Secretary, Miss Emily Betts, 3 Hillhouse Ave., New Haven.

Physicians or others in any part of the State desiring to secure the services of trained nurses for men or women, medical or surgical patients, should apply by telegraph or letter, stating the nature of the case, to the Superintendent of Nursing, New Haven Hospital.

The price per week for the services of a trained nurse is \$12.00, unless two members of the family are ill at the same time, when there will be a slight additional charge. It cannot be too strongly impressed upon the public that it is more economical, and safer for the patient, to employ a reliable nurse, than to indulge in a natural but misplaced sentiment, which sacrifices the strength of an entire family in the care of one invalid member.

Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

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FORM OF BEQUEST.

Item. I give and bequeath to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, in the City of New Haven, the sum of — dollars, to be paid by my executors, out of my real or personal estate, as soon as the settlement of my affairs will permit, to the treasurer of said institution for the time being, in trust, to be applied by the directors thereof to the humane purposes of said institution.

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 *Dyer White,
 *Dr. C. B. Whittlesey,
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 *Henry Woodward,
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A donation of \$25 constitutes the donor a member for ten years.

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 John E. Bassett, from September 4, 1874.
 William Franklin, from December 24, 1874.
 L. W. Sperry, from September 4, 1874.
 Edward E. Hall, from April 24, 1875.
 Johnson Brothers, from January 15, 1875.
 E. G. Stoddard, from January 15, 1875.
 R. & J. M. Blair, from January 15, 1875.
 Andrew W. DeForest, from April 24, 1875.
 A. H. Cargill, from December 16, 1876.
 Hubbard Williams, from December 16, 1878.
 William A. Jones, from January 13, 1878.
 S. H. Moseley, from January 13, 1878.
 John P. Tuttle, from January 13, 1878.

* Deceased.

Isaac Anderson, from January 13, 1878.
 Martha P. Hotchkiss, from January 13, 1878.
 James M. Hoppin, from January 13, 1878.
 Henry C. Kingsley, from January 13, 1878.
 William Gale, from January 30, 1880.
 Henry L. Hotchkiss, from January 30, 1880.
 Wallace B. Fenn, from January 30, 1880.
 Daniel C. Eaton, from March 9, 1880.
 Miss Mary E. Scranton, from April 13, 1881.
 William A. Ives, from April 13, 1881.
 Thomas Hooker, from January 28, 1882.
 Robert Ogden DuBois, from February 7, 1882.
 William D. Whitney, from January 22, 1883.
 Edward F. Mersick, from January 29, 1883.
 John C. Hollister, from February 5, 1883.
 Mrs. F. B. Dexter, from January 21, 1884.
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FREE BEDS IN PERPETUITY.

A donation of \$5,000 entitles the donor, his heirs and assigns, to nominate patients to a free bed in perpetuity.

A donation of \$2,500 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed, in perpetuity, *for six months in each year*, or to nominate patients to a free bed during the life of the donor.

A donation of \$1,000 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed for any three months in each year during his life.

FREE BED FUND.

1874—Henry Farnam,	-	-	\$5,000
1874—Wm. Fitch,	-	-	5,000
1874—James E. English,	-	-	5,000
1878—Ellen M. Gifford,	-	-	5,000
1881-83—Henry Bronson	-	-	10,000
1883—The Thanksgiving Free Bed,	-	-	5,000
1883—The Rose A. Porter Free Bed,	-	-	1,000

PERMANENT FUND.

1877—Irene Larned,	-	-	\$5,000
1878—Nelson A. Hotchkiss,	-	-	5,000

* Deceased.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The Board of Directors has the honor to present herewith to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut its fifty-seventh annual report as prepared by the Prudential Committee.

The most noticeable feature of our work during the past year is, as has been the case for a number of years, the continued increase in the number of patients. The average for the past twelve months has been 112. The average for 1882 was $106\frac{1}{2}$; the average in 1879 was only $67\frac{5}{8}$. Thus the work of the Hospital, estimated solely by the number of patients, has increased about 63 per cent. in four years. Measured by the medical work it has increased in a still greater proportion, as many patients who four years ago would have remained in the Hospital, though requiring but little care, are now removed to Fitch's Home, Noroton. There have been 83 deaths and 22 births; the greatest number of patients on any one day has been 129, and the smallest on any one day 93. The total number of patients under treatment during the year has been 812, or 104 more than have been treated in any previous year.

The finances of the Hospital are in an unusually good condition. The receipts for the year (deducting \$1,250.00 of the State appropriation which should have been paid in 1882, and does not, therefore, properly form part of last year's business) have been \$33,746.10; the total expenditures have been \$38,490.59; making a deficit on the year's business of \$4,744.49. Of this sum \$2,474.33 was paid for extraordinary expenses, namely:

For altering and furnishing Ward 3 West.....	\$1,200.63
For re-laying the sidewalk on Congress Avenue.....	239.12
For new tin roofs on the wings of the old building.....	249.58
For painting the outside and one ward of the hospital building.....	785.00

If we had not had these unusual expenses our deficit would have been but \$2,270.16. Our deficit on our running expenses in 1882 was \$6,211.03. The average cost of keeping a patient for one week in 1883 was \$6.50, while the average cost, excluding the extraordinary expenses, was \$6.08. The average in 1882 was \$6.70.

The causes of this improvement cannot be discovered without careful study of the figures. If we look first at our receipts, we find that their increase is due in part to the raising of the rates charged for soldier patients. We found that we were losing annually on this class of patients a large sum of money, which was practically a gratuity to the State, since it is obliged by law to provide for the soldiers who served in Connecticut regiments during the war.

We accordingly applied to the State Hospital Board, of which the Governor is chairman, for an increase of the rates from \$4.50 to \$6.50 a week, and the board so far acknowledged the justice of our application as to raise the rates to \$5.50 a week. These rates went into effect May 1st, and since that time our loss on the soldiers has been only \$1.00 a week instead of over \$2.00, as formerly. This change alone has probably saved us \$900.00 or \$1000.00.

Nevertheless the average amount received per patient (including the State appropriation) has been less this year than in 1882, the figures being as follows :

1883	1882	1881
\$5.61	\$5.72	\$5.85

We must, therefore, look for a full explanation of our relatively small deficit on the other side of the account. If we analyze our expenditures we find that the outlay for various items was as follows :

CLASSIFIED EXPENDITURES PER CAPITA PER WEEK.

	1883.	1882.	1881.
Food	\$2.90	\$3.40	\$3.18
Furniture, bedding and current repairs.....	.29	.40	.27
Other items (pay-roll, medicine, gas, water, etc.)	2.89	2.89	2.91
Extraordinary improvements ..	.42		
	<u>\$6.50</u>	<u>\$6.70</u>	<u>\$6.37</u>

. Thus our small deficit is due in part to the raising of the rates for soldier patients, in part to a falling off of the expenditure per capita, and this latter improvement we attribute partly to a fall in the price of provisions and partly to the strict economy of our housekeeper, Mrs. Wise.

If we analyze the amount expended on and received from the different classes of patients we find that it is as follows :

	Cost.	Receipts.	Gain.	Loss.
Marine patients	\$1,949.35	\$2,099.00	\$149.65	
Self-paying patients..	6,482.45	7,102.43	619.98	
Soldier patients.....	10,335.91	8,125.05		\$2,210.86
Town patients.....	17,055.35	10,407.13		6,648.22
Charity patients.....	1,178.45			1,178.45
Free bed patients....	924.95			924.95
	<u>\$37,926.46</u>	<u>\$27,733.61</u>	<u>\$769.63</u>	<u>\$10,962.48</u>
				769.63
Net loss at regular rates				\$10,192.85

These figures show that, at regular rates, we should have lost on soldier and town patients together \$8,859.08. The legislative appropriation of \$5,000.00 only made up a part of this loss, the rest was practically a present to the State and towns, the means for making which were furnished partly by our income of less than \$2,000.00 from invested funds and partly by the contributions of Hospital Sunday, which amounted last year to \$3,512.14.

The small endowment of the Hospital has long been a serious hindrance to the extension of its charitable work. It is, therefore, with great pleasure that we announce a very material increase in our funds during the past year. Since the last annual meeting Dr. Henry Bronson has added \$2,500.00 to the \$7,500.00 he had already contributed, Mrs. John A. Porter has given \$1,000.00 to found a free bed in memory of the late Mrs. Rose A. Porter, and a gentleman and his wife, who especially requested that their name should not be published, but whose identity is almost betrayed by the rare tact and kind consideration by which they have made their benefaction a help to two charities at once, have given \$5,000.00 to found the Thanksgiving free bed, and made over their right of nominating patients to this bed to the United Workers.

We wish to express our grateful acknowledgments to these benefactors who have added in one year \$8,500.00 to our permanent fund and given us fresh encouragement in the task of building up the Hospital, and making it equal to the increased demands that are yearly put upon it.

The ward in the west mansard, of which mention was made in our last annual report, has been fitted up during the past year, and occupied since March first. It has proved to be, on the whole,

a pleasant ward, though not sufficiently high or sufficiently airy for very sick patients. The ventilation has, however, been improved by running up ventilating shafts through the ceiling.

The increase in the number of patients has made it necessary to increase both the nursing force and the house staff. The number of nurses, including the head nurse and her assistant, has been raised to twenty-five, and an assistant has been added to the house staff, his services beginning on the fifth of May last. The arrangement now is that each member of the staff serves four months as assistant, four months as house physician, and four months as house surgeon, and the vacancies, which therefore occur three times a year, are filled on the first of April, on the first of August and on the first of December.

It has been necessary during the past year to make a number of repairs and improvements besides the fitting up of the west mansard. During the fall we put a tin roof on the wings of the main building, replacing the shingling, which was very old and very leaky; the whole of the building is now, therefore, covered with tin. We have also repaired the stucco on the old building and painted the entire outside thoroughly, besides painting the ereeting, gutters, roof, windows and verandas of the new building, the interior of ward 2 west, and the outside of the laundry.

We are glad to say that the board of lady visitors was organized after our last annual meeting on a new basis. This board had previously performed its services in rather an informal manner, some of the ladies visiting the Hospital frequently, others not at all, and the board, as a whole, making no report or recommendations. During the past year the board has met and systematized its work and has also made valuable suggestions to the prudential committee. The most noteworthy of these was the proposition that hot boxes should be provided, in order to carry the food warm to the wards, and to keep it warm while it is being served. The prudential committee adopted the plan of the board of lady visitors, with excellent results, and the patients now receive their food in a more palatable condition than they have ever done before.

During the summer a new and, it is believed, improved edition of the Charter, Constitution and By-laws has been printed, and copies of it are in the custody of the superintendent for the use of the members of the society.

The suggestion made in the report of the medical board with regard to the necessity of more room is one the pertinence of which is felt by no one more keenly than by the directors. At the first quarterly meeting in 1883 a committee was appointed to consider the general advisability of building an addition, and on its report, which was submitted to a special meeting of the directors, two committees—one on building, the other on finance—were appointed to carry out its suggestions. We regret to say that the efforts of these committees have as yet met with but little success. Subscriptions to the amount of five thousand dollars have been obtained, but little else has been done. The times are certainly not very favorable for enterprises which depend on voluntary gifts, but we hope the project will not be allowed to drop on that account, and that the board of directors will, during the coming year, renew its efforts and at least secure the nucleus of a building fund, even if it is not able to erect a building at once.

In conclusion we have the pleasant task of expressing our appreciation of the faithful services of the superintendent, of the nurses, and of the various officers of the Hospital. We are also indebted to the two boards of visitors for their careful attention to the needs of the patients and of the institution; to the clergymen who have conducted services in the chapel, and to the many friends who have contributed delicacies, clothing, etc., especially to those who supplied the patients with a Thanksgiving dinner and gave them a treat of a Christmas tree.

For the Board of Directors,

HENRY W. FARNAM,
W. H. CARMALT,
THOMAS HOOKER,

Prudential Committee.

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 31st, 1884.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL BOARD.

To the Board of Directors of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:

GENTLEMEN—The Medical Board appreciate, as doubtless do the Board of Directors, the pressing need of increased room in the Hospital, which need is particularly felt during the winter months.

In May last we increased the number of the House staff by appointing an assistant House surgeon—an appointment much needed and one which renders the House service much more efficient.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

SAMUEL D. GILBERT,

Secretary Medical Board.

New Haven, January 9, 1884.

MEDICAL STATISTICS.

SURGICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL IN 1883.

Abscesses:		Cataract, traumatic	2
abdominal	1	" secondary	1
arm	2	Catarrh, syphilitic	1
ankle	1	Chancre and bubo	1
elbow	1	" and chancreoid	1
gluteal	1	" and perineal abscess	1
iliac	2	Chancreoid and bubo	5
ischio-rectal	2	Concussions of brain	3
femoral	2	" of spine	1
mammary	2	Contused wounds of back	1
phalangeal	1	" wound of face	1
orbital	1	" wounds of hand	2
palmar	2	Contusions of back	2
tibial	2	" of face	1
psous	1	Conjunctivitis	5
neck	2	Caseous degeneration of knee joint ..	1
hand	1	Crushed foot	2
penis	1	Dislocated clavicle	1
wrist	1	" elbow	1
Adherent flap	1	Ectropion	1
Amputation of arm	3	Eczema	7
Anal fistula	10	Enlarged prostate	1
" warts	1	Elephantiasis	3
Ankylosis of hip	1	Epistaxis	1
Arthritis	9	Epididymitis	1
Bed-sores and paralysis	1	Erysipelas of leg	1
Burns	3	Fractures:	
" by vitriol	1	Colles'	2
Carcinoma	1	clavicle	2
" of breast	7	coracoid proc. scapula	2
" of face	3	fibula	2
" of lip	1	femur	7
" of penis	1	humerus	2
" of rectum	2	" compound	1
Caries of elbow	1	leg, compound	3
" of tibia	2	" simple	7
" of wrist	1	legs, both	1
Cataract	2	" compound both	1

Fractures: lower jaw	1	Neurasthenia	4
malleolus and head of radius	1	Needle in knee	1
mastoid process	1	Oorchitis	3
metacarpal bone	1	Osteosarcoma	1
nose	3	Otitis media	1
patella	1	Paraphimosis	1
radius, compound	1	Periostitis, phalangeal	1
ribs	2	Popliteal aneurism	1
spine	1	Prostatitis	1
tibia	2	Pott's disease of spine	5
Frost-bites	10	Prolapsus ani	1
Foreign body in urethra	1	Rachitis	3
Gonorrhoea	12	Recto-vaginal fistula	3
Gonorrhoeal rheumatism	1	Retention of urine	2
Glaucoma	1	Sarcoma of parotid	1
Genu varum	1	" sup. maxilla	2
Gangrene of foot	2	Scalp wound	1
Gleet	3	" " lacerated	1
Gunshot wounds	4	Sinuses about hip	2
Granular lids	1	" about knee	1
Hæmatocele	1	Slough of scrotum	1
Hæmorrhoids	10	Sprained ankle	3
Hare-lip	1	" back	1
Hernia, inguinal	1	" wrist	1
Hydrocele	2	Strain, muscular	1
Hypospadias and hydrocele	1	Stone in bladder	2
Incised wound, throat	1	Stricture of rectum	1
" " hand	1	" urethra	5
Injury to eye	1	Staphyloma	2
Iritis	4	Synovitis of knee	1
Keratitis	5	Syphilis	9
Lacerated wound of hand and foot	1	Tramatic tetanus	1
" " thumb	1	Talipes equinus	1
" " forearm	1	Tonsils, enlarged	1
Laceration of cervix uteri	2	Tumors:	
Loss of membrana tympani	1	fibroid of uterus	2
Lymphadenitis	1	ovarian	1
Necrosis: femur	1	Urethral granulations	1
humerus	2	Ulcer of leg	15
ischium	1	" stump	1
inf. maxilla	3	" cornea	2
metatarsal	1	" foot	1
ribs	2	Urethritis	2
superior maxilla	1	Vesical atony	2
tibia	1	Unclassified	8
tibia and fibula	1		
toes	1	Total	361
wrist	1		

OPERATIONS IN 1883.

Amputation, breast	6	Incision into abscess of knee-joint ...	1
“ both breasts	1	Osteotomy for abscess	1
“ arm	2	“ “ ankylosis of hip	2
“ arm and thigh	1	“ “ genu varum	1
“ forearm	1	Patella, union by wire sutures	1
“ leg	3	Removal of needle	1
“ Symé of ankle	1	Radical cure for hydrocele	1
“ toe	1	Re-amputation of thigh	1
“ thigh	2	Resection femur for united fracture ..	1
Cataract	3	“ sup. max. for carcinoma ..	1
Closure recto-vaginal fistula	3	Rhinoplasty	1
Dilatation of urethra	1	Sequestrotomy of femur	1
“ sphincter ani		“ inf. maxilla	1
Division of fistula	2	“ sup. maxilla	1
“ anal fistula	4	“ ischium	2
“ old sinus about knee	1	“ humerus and tibia ..	1
“ sinus in gluteal region	1	“ rib	1
“ sinus	1	“ tibia	2
Excision of elbow-joint	1	Staphylorrhaphy	1
“ hip-joint	1	Tumors removed:	
Exploratory incision gunshot wound ..	1	cancer of face	2
Enucleation, eye	1	“ lip	1
Ligation hæmorrhoids	3	exostosis of humerus	1
Litholapaxy	1	sarcoma of parotid	1
Lithotomy	1	anal warts	1
Hare-lip	1	Tentotomy	1
Iridectomy	3		—
Incision into pleural cavity	1	Total	80

Prepared by

CHARLES A. GILLIN, M.D., *House Surgeon.*

MEDICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING 1883.

Abortion	4	Carcinoma of stomach	1
Acne	1	Cholera morbus	1
Alcoholism	17	“ infantum	1
Anæmia	2	Chorea	3
Aneurism of aorta	1	Cirrhosis hepatis	4
Aphasia	1	Congestion of brain	1
Apopelxy	6	Constipation	5
Ataxia, locomotor	4	Cystitis	3
Bronchitis, acute	5	Debility	8
“ chronic	3	Delirium tremens	4

Diarrhœa, chronic	5	Neuralgia	3
Dyspepsia	10	“ intercostal	2
Eczema	1	Neurasthenia	11
Emphysema, pulmonary	3	Obstipation	2
Empyema	3	Opium habit	1
Endocarditis, chronic	11	Paraplegia	1
Epilepsy	3	Paralysis, general	3
Erysipelas	1	“ infantile	1
Fever, malarial	10	Pericarditis	2
“ remittent	2	Phthisis	39
“ typhoid	18	Pleuritis	4
Functional disorder of liver	3	Pneumonia	6
Gastritis	8	Poisoning, lead	8
“ subacute	2	“ mercurial	2
Gastro-enteritis	1	“ opium	2
Gout	2	“ phosphorus	1
Hæmoptosis	2	Pregnancy	23
Hemiplegia	10	Rheumatism, acute	2
Hodgkins' disease	1	“ chronic	30
Hypochondria	2	Rheumatic synovitis	1
Hysteria	2	Sclerosis of anterior lat. column	2
Insanity	1	Sciatica	4
Icterus	2	Syphilis, tertiary	3
Malaria	39	Tania	1
Malnutrition	4	Tonsilitis	3
Mitral lesion	3	Tuberculosis, acute miliary	1
Monoplegia	2	Volvulus	1
Mania, acute	1	Unclassified	3
“ epileptic	2		—
Myalgia	6	Total	408
Nephritis, chronic	10		

GYNÆCOLOGICAL CASES TREATED IN HOSPITAL DURING 1883.

Abscess, labial	1	Lacerated perineum	3
“ pelvic	1	Lacerated cervix	6
Anteflexion	1	Neuralgia, ovarian	1
Carcinoma of cervix uteri	7	“ uterine	1
Condyloma	1	Prolaps. vagina	1
Endometritis, acute cervical	1	“ uteri	2
“ chronic cervical	3	Rectocele	2
“ with anteversion	1	Retroflexion and lacerated perineum	2
“ with metrorrhagia	1	Vaginitis	1
“ with gran. erosion	3		—
Fibroid tumor of uterus	2	Total	43
Inversion of uterus	2		

NUMBER OF BIRTHS.

January	3	August	1
February	3	September	3
March	0	October	1
April	4	November	3
May	0	December	3
June	1		—
July	0	Total	22

GYNECOLOGICAL OPERATIONS DURING 1883.

Perineorrhaphy	4
" immediate	4
" and trachelorrhaphy	1
Trachelorrhaphy	2

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CAUSES OF DEATH.

Abortion	1	Gangrene of foot and atheroma of arteries	1
Abscess of liver	1	Gonorrhœa	1
Amputation of arm, and delirium tremens,	1	Hæmorrhage from incised wound, throat	1
Aortic stenosis and hypertrophy	1	Meningitis	1
Carcinoma of breast	1	Nephritis	5
" stomach	1	Malarial fever	1
Concussion of brain	3	Ovarian tumor	1
Compression of brain	1	Opium poisoning	1
Chronic gastritis	1	Opium habit	1
Congestive chill	1	Peritonitis	1
Congestion of brain	1	Paralysis	1
Chronic endocarditis	5	Paralysis agitans and rheumatism	1
Chorea	1	Perforation of stomach	1
Cholera infantum	1	Phthisis	13
Cirrhosis of liver	1	Pneumonia	3
Crushed arm and leg	1	Partial atrophy of brain	1
Eczema	1	Pyæmia	2
Empyema	1	Traumatic tetanus	1
Erysipelas	1	Tuberculosis, acute miliary	1
Fractured tibia and fibula, compound,	1	Typhoid fever	10
Fracture at base of skull, compound	1	Uræmia and paraplegia	1
Fracture of femur, compound	1	Ulcer of leg	1
Facial erysipelas	1	Volvulus	1
Gastro-enteritis	1		—
General debility	1	Total	83
Gunshot wound of hand	1		

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Jan. 22, 1884.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :

GENTLEMEN—I herewith respectfully submit the fifty-seventh annual report of receipts and disbursements, number of patients in Hospital, and other items of information.

The number of patients remaining in the Hospital December 31, 1882, was 96—76 males and 20 females ; admitted during the year 1883, 716—511 males, 205 females ; making a total of 812 under treatment—587 males, 225 females. Of this number 300 were discharged cured, 202 improved, 102 unimproved, 83 died, and 125 remained under treatment December 31, 1883. There were 22 births—14 males, 8 females.

The whole number of weeks occupied was 5,834 $\frac{5}{7}$, of which 4,395 $\frac{2}{7}$ were occupied by charity patients, or those not paying full rates. These came from 80 different towns and villages in this State, and 16 other States or countries. Of those admitted, 328 were residents of New Haven.

The greatest number of patients any one day was 129 ; the lowest, 93 ; the daily average, 112. The attendants and other inmates have averaged 61.6, making a total of 173.6.

The average cost of supporting each patient, based on the ordinary current expenses, was \$6.08 per week ; adding the item of extraordinary expenses, it was \$6.50 per week.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, in account with GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

Dr.

1883. To amounts received:

From balance January 21, 1883,	\$28.47
U. S. Marine patients,	2,099.00
State soldier patients,	8,125.05
Town patients,	10,407.13
Self-paying,	7,739.49
State Appropriation,	5,000.00
Board,	568.11
Sales,	354.15
Sundries,	90.23
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	\$34,411.63
State Appropriation, 4th quarter, 1882,	1,250.00
Orders on treasurer,	33,728.71
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	\$69,390.34

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1883. By amounts paid:

For flour, 4,045 pounds,	\$151.50
Meal and rice, 4,351 pounds,	170.24
Bread and crackers, 30,638½ pounds,	1,350.77
Cake,	186.00
Butter, 6,166 pounds,	1,691.94
Cheese, 472½ pounds,	66.54
Meat, 56,190½ pounds,	5,594.99
Poultry, 4,269½ pounds,	910.81
Fish and oysters, 8,906½ pounds,	1,092.94
Vegetables and fruit,	1,074.49
Eggs, 2,954 dozen,	828.88
Groceries,	1,434.44
Milk, 59,104 quarts,	2,948.35
Ice, 161,425 pounds,	322.85
Liquors,	308.20
Ale and beer,	230.90
Medicines,	1,601.34
Instruments,	365.87
Surgical dressings,	511.10
Fuel,	3,148.52
Gas, 509,400 feet,	1,023.76
Water,	166.16
Furniture and crockery,	256.73
Clothes and bedding,	300.24
Repairs and improvements,	1,111.10
Postage, printing and stationery,	453.33
Barn and farm expenses,	230.08
Tools,	39.07
Salaries and wages,	7,742.53
Potash and soap,	231.07
Sundries,	471.52
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	\$36,016.26
Extraordinary expenses	2,474.33
Refunded to patients,	637.06
Deposited with treasurer,	30,226.09
Balance, January 22, 1884,	36.60
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	\$69,390.34
Total current Hospital expenses,	\$36,016.26
Less board of superintendent's family and others,	568.11
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	\$35,448.15
Number of weeks of Hospital care, 5,834½.	
Cost per week per patient,	\$6.08
Total cost of food,	17,501.89
Average daily number of inmates, 173⅞.	
Cost of food per day per inmate,	27⅞c.

Respectfully,

JOHN H. STARKWEATHER,

Superintendent.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Remaining in Hospital, Dec. 31, 1882	76	20	96
Admitted during 1882	511	265	716
Total	587	225	812
Of this number there have been discharged—			
Cured	214	86	300
Improved	159	43	202
Unimproved	65	37	102
Died	61	22	83
	499	188	687
Remaining under treatment, Dec. 31, 1883	88	37	125
Total	587	225	812

MONTHLY ADMISSIONS FROM JAN. 1, 1883, TO DEC. 31, 1883.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
January	37	19	56
February	48	13	61
March	50	11	61
April	43	19	62
May	45	19	64
June	47	19	66
July	40	21	61
August	39	23	62
September	44	14	58
October	37	12	49
November	34	22	56
December	47	13	60
Total	511	205	716

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

Austria	1	Nova Scotia	1
Australia	1	Norway	6
Belgium	1	Poland	1
Bohemia	2	Philippine Islands	2
Canada	8	Portugal	1
Denmark	3	Russia	4
England	36	Sweden	3
Finland	1	Switzerland	4
France	5	Scotland	8
Germany	66	United States	353
Holland	2	Wales	4
Hungary	1	West Indies	2
Ireland	179	Unknown	4
Italy	15		
Japan	2		
			716

AGE AT TIME OF ADMISSION.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 15 years	28	11	39
From 15 to 20 years	19	21	40
“ 20 to 30 “	141	66	207
“ 30 to 40 “	99	46	145
“ 40 to 50 “	94	29	123
“ 50 to 60 “	86	22	108
“ 60 to 70 “	28	4	32
“ 70 to 80 “	13	5	18
“ 80 to 90 “	3	1	4
Total	511	205	716

TIME OCCUPIED BY THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF PATIENTS.

U. S. Marine Patients	299 6-7 weeks.
State Soldier “	1590 1-7 “
Town	2623 6-7 “
Self-Paying	997 2-7 “
Free Bed	142 2-7 “
Charity	181 2-7 “
Total	5834 5-7 “

REPRESENTATION OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN CONNECTICUT IN
THE HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1883.

Ansonia	27	Huntington	2	Sherman	1
Beacon Falls	4	Litchfield	3	Southbury	1
Bethel	4	Manchester	1	South Norwalk	1
Berlin	6	Merryall	1	South Kent	1
Bethany	2	Meriden	28	Sonthington	11
Birmingham	16	Milford	3	Stamford	3
Branford	7	Middletown	7	Stanwich	1
Bristol	2	Mt. Carmel	1	Thomaston	5
Bridgeport	20	Naugatuck	16	Torrington	3
Brookfield	1	Newtown	1	Trumbull	2
Canton	1	New Britain	4	Union City	1
Cheshire	3	New Hartford	5	Unionville	1
Centerbrook	11	New London	2	Waterbury	22
Chester	1	New Milford	2	Watertown	2
Clinton	4	New Haven	301	West Haven	7
Columbia	2	New Preston	1	Wallingford	20
Danbury	4	North Haven	3	Washington	2
Derby	5	Norwalk	2	Westville	4
Fair Haven	23	Northford	1	Willimantie	1
Glastonbury	1	Orange	1	Winsted	2
Goshen	1	Plainville	1	Woodmont	2
Greenville	2	Pine Meadow	1	Woodbury	1
Greenwich	1	Portland	4	Westbrook	1
Guilford	3	Rockville	3	Westport	1
Hamden	9	Roxbury	1	Whitneyville	1
Hartford	4	Seymour	7	Yalesville	1
Harwinton	2	Shelton	3		

OCCUPATION.

Bar-tenders	3	Florist	1	Porter	1
Baggage master R. R. .	1	Farmers	29	Presser	1
Bakers	2	Forger	1	Quarrymen	3
Barbers	3	Gardeners	7	Reporter	1
Blacksmiths	11	Grocers	2	Rubber workers	9
Brakemen	9	Gun maker	1	Salesmen	3
Brass workers	6	Hack drivers	2	Saloon keepers	3
Brass molders	2	Hatters	3	Sawyer	1
Brick makers	3	Harness makers	4	Seamstresses	5
Burnishers	2	Horse R. R. conductors .	2	Servants	38
Butchers	3	Hostlers	5	Seamen	58
Brewers	2	Joiner	1	Shirt ironer	1
Britannia workers ..	3	Lamp maker	1	Shoe makers	5
Book-keeper	1	Laundresses	4	Silver-platers	3
Buckle maker	1	Laborers	70	Silver-smith	1
Bolt makers	2	Laundryman	1	Slater	1
Carpenters	7	Liquor dealers	2	Soldier	1
Carriage makers	3	Liveryman	1	Spool makers	4
Carriage painters	2	Machinists	11	Spinner	1
Carter	1	Masons	9	Stevedore	1
Carinen	4	Manufacturers	2	Stewards	2
Carriage trimmers ..	2	Machine stitcher	1	Steam-fitters	2
Cigar makers	3	Mechanics	8	Switchman R. R.	1
Clerks	3	Miner	1	Students	3
Clock makers	2	Miller	1	Stone cutters	2
Clergyman	1	Molders	10	Tailors	5
Cabinet makers	3	Morocco case maker .	1	Teacher	1
Cooks	6	Music teacher	1	Teamsters	4
Corset stitcher	1	Musicians	3	Tinsmiths	2
Coachmen	2	Nurses	2	Turner	1
Copper smelter	1	Oysterman	1	Trackman R. R.	1
Concrete maker	1	Painters	14	Veterinary surgeon .	1
Corset maker	1	Plasterer	1	Waiters	2
Cutlers	8	Planer	1	Watchmen	3
Dentist	1	Policeman	1	Watchmaker	1
Dress maker	1	Printers	3	Warper	1
Driver	1	Patent solicitor	1	Warp twister	1
Engineers	4	Peddlers	4	Weavers	2
Factory girls	3	Photographer	1	Wheelwrights	3
Firemen	2	Polishers	5		

DONATIONS

RECEIVED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR 1883.

Publishers have kindly furnished the Hospital with the New Haven Daily Palladium, the New Haven Daily Journal and Courier, the New Haven Daily Register, the New Haven Daily Union, and the New Haven Daily News. Friends have also sent and subscribed for the Independent and the Youths' Companion, children of Dr. G. B. Farnam the St. Nicholas Magazine.

Books, Magazines and Papers.

Mrs. H. B. Harrison, Mrs. M. F. Tyler, Mrs. C. R. Waterhouse, Mrs. O. W. Swift, Mrs. T. R. Trowbridge, Chas. W. Nott, Young Women's Christian Association, Mrs. H. T. Blake (5 times), Mrs. Ingersoll, Mrs. J. B. Carrington, Mr. Eaton, Otto H. Bowman, Mrs. Bulford, H. G. Chase, Mrs. Thomas G. Bennett, David R. Alling, Mrs. Sperry, Leonard S. Hotchkiss (9 times), Edgar S. Porter, Mrs. Sheffield, Mrs. Beecher, Mrs. Weld (19 vols.), Mrs. Stockwell, Mrs. Lizzie Stevens, Miss L. E. Champion, Dr. DuBois, Mrs. Hiram Stevens, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Marrietta Wildman, Mrs. E. H. Morse, Mrs. E. E. Kimberly, John C. Hollister, Mrs. E. H. English, Prof. Henry W. Farnam, Rev. Dr. Dennon, Mrs. Prof. Packard, D. Cady Eaton, C. S. Thompson, Mrs. Snell, Mrs. R. A. Brown, George H. Sage, Mrs. Yale, Miss Munson, Elsie and T. L. Watrous, Mrs. Wm. H. Goodrich.

Clothing, Old Linen and Old Cotton.

Mrs. Prof. Eaton, Mrs. John E. Earle, Mrs. H. Williams, Mrs. E. F. Mansfield, Mrs. Levi Gilbert, Miss L. A. F. Pinney, Eugene DeForest, Mrs. A. W. DeForest, Dr. L. M. Gilbert, Mrs. Chidsey, Mrs. Dr. Chapman, "The Our Society," Mrs. Dr. Thacher, Mrs. Philo Chatfield, T. D. Wheeler, Mrs. F. B. Dexter, Mrs. Southport, Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. George Botsford, Mrs. R. Crane, Mrs. J. B. Baldwin, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. H. T. Blake, Mrs. Platt, Mrs. L. H. Garfield, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Aurelia Tuttle, Mrs. Hale, Mrs. Crockett, Mrs. Chas. English, Dr. W. G. Alling, Mr. E. L. Austin, Mrs. Barber, Mrs. Sarah Mix, M. R. A. Buckingham, J. K. Beach, Mrs. H. G. Little, Mrs. Henry L. Hotchkiss, Mrs. Staples, Dr. L. T. Day, Ladies' Benevolent Society of East Haven, Mrs. Beadle, Mrs. M. E. Sperry, M. Healy, Mrs. Prof. H. A. Newton, Mrs. Morse, Mrs. Andrews, Augusta M. Stiles, Mrs. Ellen A. Northrop, D. W. Thompson, A. B. Bristol, Mrs. Mills, Chas. Bliss, P. Bartlett, Mrs. Phin (North Torrington, Conn.), Mrs. Stoddard, Mrs. Hawkins, New Haven Steamboat Company, H. Harrison, Mrs. Mansfield, R. D. W. Babcock, Mrs. Farnam, Mrs. Frederick Ives, Mrs. B. Healy, Mrs. Joseph Booth, Mrs. Hiram Stevens, Dr. A. B. Coffin, Mrs. T. Ketcham, Mrs. Pierpont, Mrs. Carrington, Mrs. McCall, Mrs. Jones, Mr. Robertson, M. F. Tyler, Mrs. A. McAllister, Louis Hemingway, Mrs. O. H. White, Mrs.

Stone, Mrs. Howard, Mrs. Dr. Bacon, Mrs. John E. Earle, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Harrison, Stephen Tracy, Mr. S. W. Johnson, Mrs. Susie Spencer, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. W. D. Whitney, Chas. English, Mrs. E. W. Bently, Miss Newcomb, Miss Hogeboom, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Carmen, Mr. Trowbridge, Mrs. Easterbrook, Mrs. E. E. Kimberly, Mrs. John C. Hollister, Mrs. Samuel Allen, Mrs. Gessner, Mrs. Hawkes, Mrs. Frisbie, Mrs. Parish, Miss North, Mrs. H. P. Hoadley, Mrs. D. W. Eaton, Mrs. E. L. Austin, Mrs. Julius Ives, Mrs. J. A. Marvin, Mrs. Sheffield, J. L. Swift, Miss J. B. Root, Miss Meyers, Mrs. Jno. B. Judson, Mrs. E. E. Atwater, Mrs. Dr. L. H. Wood, Mrs. Hiram Camp, Mrs. Laura Smith, Mrs. Sanford, Mrs. Prof. Packard, Mrs. E. L. Fairchild, Mrs. Hawkins, N. F. Hall, Mrs. John Wurtz, Mrs. Eli Whitney, Mrs. Osborne, Mrs. Daggett, Miss Cowles, Mrs. Thomas, Miss L. Hotchkiss, Mrs. R. A. Brown, Mrs. Porter, Miss Nettie Morrow, Mrs. Hoppin of Litchfield, Conn., Ladies of the 2d Universalist Society, Mrs. Hale (an old lady over 90 years of age), nearly 100 poultice bags; Mrs. Rowe, forty-two packages from unknown friends.

Fruits and Flowers.

Mrs. Seth B. Hunt, Mr. E. Jenkins, Center Church, Washington School Room No. 9, Church of the Ascension, Mrs. Wayland, Mrs. Everitt, English Hall Flower Mission, Mrs. Jane E. Winchester, Mrs. Beebe, Mrs. McLaughlin, John C. Collins, Mrs. Elliott, Flower Mission, J. F. Barnes, 11 gifts from unknown friends.

For Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Children of Dr. George B. Farnam, child's invalid rolliug and reclining chair; S. S. Class Dwight Street Church, dolls, books and grapes; Friends, flowers; Miss Whitney, Christmas letters; Miss Susan Osborne, Christmas cards; Bell Ingham and friends, box of grapes, cards, papers and cakes; Miss Ingersoll, toys, fruits and candy; Miss E. Carriugton, oranges; Mr. Henry Farnam, \$50; Dr. G. B. Farnam, \$25; Prof. H. W. Farnam, \$25; H. T. Blake, \$5; Turkeys from Mrs. Everitt, Edwin Marble, Lillie F. Parker, Wm. O. Armstrong, Mrs. Wm. Fitch, Mrs. T. P. Gilbert, Dr. T. H. Bishop, Mrs. E. Barrett.

Miscellaneous.

Miss Newton, 1 pin cushion; Mrs. John Ingersoll, toys; Mabel Cooper, toys; Miss Marietta Wildman, bible album; Mr. H. P. Smith, 12 glasses barberry jelly; Mrs. O. H. White, urinal and respirator; Mrs. J. E. Earle, large doll; Mrs. E. A. Mitchell, hair mattress, pillow and rubber sheet; Chas. H. Thompson, invalid's stuffed reclining and rolling chair, and also a health lift; George D. Miller, 3 gas fixtures and globes; Evan Evans, hip bath tub; Mrs. Wm. H. Goodrich, invalids' feeding table; Mrs. Stockwell, backgammon board; Dr. W. H. Carmalt, \$14 towards an invalid rolling and reclining chair; Friends, toys and checker board.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

RECEIVED BY L. S. HOTCHKISS, TREASURER, JAN. 14, 1883.

From Third Congregational Church,.....	\$60.00
First Baptist Church (1882),	15.00
Dwight Place Church,	33.87
First Church (Center),	1,554.36
Westville Congregational Church,	23.55
Christ (Episcopal) Church,	30.00
William Andrews, New York,	50.00
Mrs. F. B. Dexter,	20.00
Mrs. Emily M. Fitch,	50.00
First Congregational Church, Fair Haven,	25.30
Christ Church, West Haven,	7.00
St. James' Church, Westville,	8.00
Howard Avenue Congregational Church, ..	16.62
St. Thomas' Church,	49.05
Church of the United Society (North),	140.00
W. D. Whitney,	25.00
Westville M. E. Church,	5.00
Church of the Ascension,	11.35
Grace Church,	10.00
T. F. Hammer, Branford,	5.00
Trinity Chapel,	10.37
Church of the Sacred Heart,	60.00
Trinity Church,	440.50
Congregational Church, Seymour,	18.00
Davenport Church,	73.48
Christ Church, Guilford,	22.72
First Congregational Church, Waterbury ..	36.38
North Haven Congregational Church,	5.62
St. John's Church (R. C.),	24.13
M. Hemingway, Watertown,	100.00
Congregation Benai Sholam,	19.00
German Lutheran Trinity Church,	5.50
Members of St. Paul's Church,	44.00
Birmingham Congregational Church,	7.51
Congregation Mishkan Israel,	138.75
St. John Street M. E. Church,	4.08
Church of the Redeemer,	100.00
Calvary Baptist Church,	100.00
Friends in College St. Church,	8.00
First Congregational Church, Meriden,	50.00
First Baptist Church, New Haven,	50.00
Third Congregational Church,	55.00

\$3,512.14

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The General Hospital Society of Connecticut,

In account with LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, *Treasurer.*

RECEIPTS.

1883.

Jan. 1.	Balance old account (general account)	\$1,224.75	
	“ “ “ (Buck Fund)	191.59	
		<hr/>	\$1,416.34
	Collections, Hospital Sunday, 1883		3,512.14
	Donations: Henry Bronson	\$2,500.00	
	R. S. Fellowes	12.71	
	Friend	5,000.00	
	Mrs. Josephine E. S. Porter	1,000.00	
		<hr/>	8,512.71
	Sale \$1,400 bonds B., C. R. & N. R. R.	\$1,412.15	
	Sale \$4,000 bonds Del. & H. Canal Co.	4,155.00	
		<hr/>	5,567.15
	Interest Town of New Haven, \$5,000, note to March 15, 1883	\$125.00	
	Interest Town of New Haven, \$15,000, note to May 5, 1883	375.00	
	Interest M. C. & H. W. E. Munson, \$5,000, note to December 7, 1883	150.00	
	Interest \$4,000 City of New Haven bonds	100.00	
	Dividend 98 shares Merchants' National Bank stock, ..	171.50	
	Interest Town of New Haven, \$5,000, note to Sept. 15	125.00	
	Dividend 322 shares N. H. County National Bank ..	112.70	
	Interest Town of New Haven, \$15,000, note to Nov. 5, ..	375.00	
	Interest M. C. & H. W. E. Munson, \$5,000, note to June 7, 1884	125.00	
	Interest \$4,000 City of New Haven bonds	100.00	
	Dividend 98 shares Merchants' National Bank	171.50	
		<hr/>	1,930.70
	Amount received from J. H. Starkweather, Supt. ...		28,654.99
		<hr/>	\$49,594.03

PAYMENTS.

Amount of Prudential Committee orders paid	\$33,963.59
“ paid for 10 shares Merchants' National Bank stock	630.00
“ paid for 48 shares Merchants' National Bank stock	3,024.00
“ paid for 322 shares New Haven County National Bank stock,	4,508.00
Dec. 31. Balance to new account	7,468.44
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	\$49,594.03

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, *Treasurer.*

We have examined the within and foregoing account, and compared the same with the account as entered upon the books of the Treasurer, and have compared the payments therein made with the vouchers therefor, and find the same correct, and that there was on the first day of January, 1884, a balance of \$7,468.44 to the credit of the Treasurer in the N. H. Co. National Bank.

We also find that the Treasurer has in his possession belonging to said Hospital Society the following securities and property, viz :

Four bonds of \$1,000 each, of the City of New Haven	\$4,000
Note of Mary C. & H. W. E. Munson, secured by mortgage	5,000
Note of Town of New Haven for	15,000
“ “ “ “ “	5,000
Ninety-eight (98) shares of the capital stock of the Merchants' National Bank of New Haven, par \$50	4,900
Three hundred and twenty-two (322) shares of the capital stock of the N. H. County National Bank (New Haven), par \$10	3,220
Dated at New Haven, Jan. 10, 1884.	

(Signed)

HENRY D. WHITE,
DANIEL TROWBRIDGE,

Auditors.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :

GENTLEMEN :—In submitting our report for the past year we take pleasure in being able to state, both to you and the public, that the Hospital, in every particular and detail, is carried on in a very judicious and economical manner. It has often been surprising to the members of this board that an institution so extensive and with so large a number of patients to provide and care for can be so successfully operated on such limited resources as are at the disposition of the Hospital Society.

We have noticed that several improvements have been made in the buildings during the year, which greatly promoted the comfort of the inmates and improved the conveniences of the buildings.

We can assure the public that the patients are treated with the utmost care, attention, and skill by the physicians and nurses in charge, and no efforts are spared by the superintendent to promote the comfort of the unfortunate sufferers. The board is gratified in being able to report that every cause of complaint brought to the notice of the superintendent has been promptly removed. The committee would also report that, from the uniform testimony of patients, and from their own observation through the year, they believe that the nurses of the Training School are kind, faithful and most efficient in their care of the sick, and that their services are invaluable to this Hospital.

The board would call your attention to the fact that the paint shop, located in the cellar of the main building, increases the fire risk of the premises, there being more or less danger of spontaneous combustion among the chemicals stored therein, and, in order to promote the safety of the inmates from the dreaded element of fire, we would suggest that this shop, together with its contents, be removed to some outer building.

It has been observed by members of this board that there is occasionally a patient who becomes unruly and very annoying to the other occupants of the same ward, and those in charge are entirely powerless except to reprimand the unruly person, which in one instance was entirely ignored. We would therefore suggest that the society petition the local government of the city to

appoint one or two special constables, to be selected by the prudential committee, from among the ward-masters of the hospital, who shall have power to quell such disturbance or arrest unruly persons, under such rules and restrictions as may be adopted by the prudential committee.

Very respectfully submitted,

C. B. BOWERS, *Chairman*.
E. W. BABCOCK,
E. H. JENKINS,
P. MAHER.
MAX ADLER, *Secretary*.

January 28, 1884.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LADY VISITORS.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with the instructions received from the directors of the General Hospital the lady visitors met at the Hospital on the 6th of February, 1883, and organized themselves into a working body for the year. Since that time they have visited the Hospital weekly and enquired into such matters as are connected with the care and comfort of the patients.

Finding that the food did not reach the patients in as hot a condition as was desirable, they suggested to the prudential committee the introduction of hot boxes, which suggestion the prudential committee was kind enough to adopt and carry into effect. The boxes are now in use in every ward and give great satisfaction.

The board commends heartily the general management of the Hospital, and takes this opportunity to express its appreciation of the services of the head nurse, Miss Gertrude Barrett, and of the nurses under her. Letters received from former patients make mention of the kindness of the nurses as something that could never be forgotten. The board feels also that thanks are due to the superintendent of the Hospital, Mr. Starkweather, for his ready attention to its suggestions, and willingness to carry them into effect, when it has seemed best to the prudential committee to do so.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) M. R. J. DuBOIS,
Secretary Board of Lady Visitors.

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

1. Applications for the admission of patients should be accompanied by a certificate from some respectable physician, stating the nature and probable duration of the disease, and should be addressed to the Superintendent of the Hospital, New Haven, Conn. In accordance with the regulations of the Hospital, the superintendent, as the representative of the prudential committee, arranges the terms of admission according to the circumstances of the case and the accommodation required.

2. The nursing is performed by the Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

3. The ordinary charge per week for accommodation in the wards is \$6.00, which includes medical and surgical attendance, together with medicine, nursing and washing.

4. Private rooms are furnished at \$12.00 or more per week according to the requirements of the case.

5. Persons partly supported by the towns in which they reside and partly by the State appropriation, are admitted on an order from the town authorities. Town patients are received at \$4.00 per week, the remainder is paid out of the State appropriation.

6. Soldiers enrolled on the State quota in the late war and now residents are admitted as State patients, to receive treatment for wounds or disability, under the Act of the General Assembly of 1878.

7. Sailors whose support is provided for from the marine hospital fund are admitted on the order of the collector of the port of New Haven.

8. Persons carried directly to the hospital from the place of an accident are admitted immediately.

9. A written history of the case should be sent with the patient.

10. *Insane persons* and those suffering from *contagious diseases* are not admitted.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.,

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In consideration of the admission of of into the Institution of the "General Hospital Society of Connecticut," at New Haven, I engage to provide, or pay for, a sufficiency of clothing for use, and pay to the Treasurer of said Institution dollars per week for board, medicine and medical attendance; and to cause said patient to be removed when discharged, without expense to said Institution, and, in the event of death, to pay the expense of burial.

Principal.

For value received, I hereby engage to become responsible for the fulfillment of the above stipulations.

Surety.

APPENDIX.

CONNECTICUT TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

The Training School for Nurses has been established for ten years. At first the number of pupils was limited to six; within two years it was increased to eleven, then to fourteen, and these not being sufficient to meet the many demands for special and continuous attention which critical cases required, the prudential committee raised the number to seventeen in 1880, to nineteen in 1882, and to twenty-three in 1883, making, with the head nurse and assistant, a nursing force of twenty-five. The pupils remain in the hospital for one year and pursue their studies and daily routine of work under the superintendence of the head nurse. Each nurse is assigned to one ward or department for several weeks, and in the course of a year has studied surgical, medical, and obstetrical nursing, and also the preparation of special dishes suitable for invalids and convalescents. Symptom records are kept which enable the physician to ascertain the varied phases of the disease since he last saw the patient.

At the close of the year of study the nurse has a vacation of one month, and then returns to take for five months such cases of private practice as shall be assigned to her. Her home is in the Hospital, when her services are not called for elsewhere, and the school pays for all the nurses there in excess of the number allowed.

The Hospital authorities appreciate most highly the advantages of having this school established here. Those who enter it either have a special gift for nursing or, with a true spirit of self-sacrifice, have devoted themselves to the noble work of ministering to others; consequently the duties of that department are performed more faithfully and more skillfully than in former years, when it was thought that strength was the only requisite in a nurse.

Those wishing to receive this course of instruction must apply to the secretary of the society, when, if approved by the executive committee, they will be accepted as pupils in the Hospital.

The candidates must be over twenty-two and under forty years of age, and must present a certificate from a clergyman and physician as to their good moral character and sound health. They will be received for one month on probation and without compensation.

Information concerning the school will be furnished by the president, vice-president, or other members of the executive committee.

Pupils are received from any State.

Applications for admission should be made as early as possible to the Secretary, Mrs. Daniel C. Eaton, 70 Sachem street, New Haven.

Physicians or others in any part of the State desiring to secure the services of trained nurses for men or women, medical or surgical patients, should apply by telegraph or letter, stating the nature of the case, to the Superintendent of Nursing, New Haven Hospital.

The price per week for the services of a trained nurse is \$12.00, unless two members of the family are ill at the same time, when there will be a slight additional charge. It cannot be too strongly impressed upon the public that it is more economical, and safer for the patient, to employ a reliable nurse, than to indulge in a natural but misplaced sentiment, which sacrifices the strength of an entire family in the care of one invalid member.

Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

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FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
DIRECTORS
OF THE
GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY
OF
CONNECTICUT.
FOR THE YEAR 1884.

Presented at the Annual Meeting, January 29th, 1885.

NEW HAVEN :
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1885.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

Item. I give and bequeath to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, in the City of New Haven, the sum of — dollars, to be paid by my executors, out of my real or personal estate, as soon as the settlement of my affairs will permit, to the treasurer of said institution for the time being, in trust, to be applied by the directors thereof to the humane purposes of said institution.

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1885.

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His Excellency, HENRY B. HARRISON, GOVERNOR, *ex-officio*.
(Vacant.)

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 Wallace B. Fenu, from January 30, 1880.
 Daniel C. Eaton, from March 9, 1880.
 Miss Mary E. Scranton, from April 13, 1881.
 William A. Ives, from April 13, 1881.
 Thomas Hooker, from January 28, 1882.
 Robert Ogden DuBois, from February 7, 1882.
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*Thomas Hubbard, M.D.,	*J. S. Peters, M.D.,
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*Jonathau Knight, M.D.,	*John Skinner, M.D.,
*William Leffingwell, Esq.,	*Nathau Smith, M.D.,
*Thomas Minor, M.D.,	*Eli Todd, M.D.

PRESIDENTS.

*Wm. Leffingwell, Esq.,	- - -	1827-1832
*Hon. Simeon Baldwin,	- - -	1832-1833
*Nathan Peck, Esq.,	- - -	1833-1841
*Hon. W. W. Boardman,	- - -	1841-1842
*Jouathan Knight, M.D.,	- - -	1842-1865
*Hon. W. W. Boardman,	- - -	1865-1871
E. H. Bishop, M.D.,	- - -	1872-1880
Hon. Francis Wayland,	- - -	1880-1884
Hon. James E. English,	- - -	1884-

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

*John S. Peters, M.D.,	- - -	1827-1831
*Hon. Simeon Baldwin,	- - -	1831-1832
*Thomas Hubbard, M.D.,	- - -	1832-1839
*Hon. W. W. Boardman,	- - -	1839-1841
*Jonathan Knight, M.D.,	- - -	1841-1842
*Hon. Dennis Kimberly,	- - -	1842-1863
E. H. Bishop, M.D.,	- - -	1863-1866
*Hon. Henry Peck,	- - -	1866-1867
E. H. Bishop, M.D.,	- - -	1867-1872
*Hon. Wm. Fitch,	- - -	1872-1877
Hon. James E. English,	- - -	1877-1884
Morris F. Tyler,	- - -	1884-

* Deceased.

TREASURERS.

*Dr. John Skinner,	-	1827-1832
Amos Townsend,	-	1832-1864
Alex. McAlister,	-	1864-1865
J. A. Bishop,	-	1865-1877
Wilbur F. Day,	-	1877-1879
Leonard S. Hotchkiss,	-	1879-

SECRETARIES.

*Charles Hooker, M.D.,	-	1827-1830
*N. Beers Ives, M.D.,	-	1830-1835
*Virgil M. Dow, M.D.,	-	1835-1840
E. H. Bishop, M.D.,	-	1840-1844
*P. A. Jewett, M.D.,	-	1844-1864
S. G. Hubbard, M.D.,	-	1864-1865
C. A. Lindsley, M.D.,	-	1865-1879
F. L. Dibble, M.D.,	-	1879-1880
T. H. Bishop, M.D.,	-	1880-

FREE BEDS IN PERPETUITY.

A donation of \$5,000 entitles the donor, his heirs and assigns, to nominate patients to a free bed in perpetuity.

A donation of \$2,500 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed, in perpetuity, *for six months in each year*, or to nominate patients to a free bed during the life of the donor.

A donation of \$1,000 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed for any three months in each year during his life.

FREE BED FUND.

1874—Henry Farnam,	-	\$5,000
1874—Wm. Fitch,	-	5,000
1874—James E. English,	-	5,000
1878—Ellen M. Gifford,	-	5,000
1881-83—Henry Bronson,	-	10,000
1883—The Thanksgiving Free Bed,	-	5,000
1883—The Rose A. Porter Free Bed,	-	1,000

PERMANENT FUND.

1877—Irene Larned,	-	\$5,000
1878—Nelson A. Hotchkiss,	-	5,000

* Deceased.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The Board of Directors has the honor to present herewith to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut its fifty-eighth annual report as prepared by the Prudential Committee :

The past year has been an active one for the hospital, both in the number of patients and in the severity of the cases treated. It has also been marked by a number of improvements both in the organization of the work and in the equipment.

The year began with 125 patients in the building ; during the twelve months that followed there were admitted 748, making a total of 873 under treatment throughout the whole year. The number remaining under treatment December 31st was 124, and the average for the whole year was 115.7.

This is an increase over the average for 1883 of about four patients—a somewhat slower growth than has been customary for the past five years, as the following table of averages shows :

<i>1879</i>	<i>1880</i>	<i>1881</i>	<i>1882</i>	<i>1883</i>	<i>1884</i>
67 $\frac{2}{3}$	81 $\frac{2}{3}$	89	106 $\frac{1}{2}$	112	115.7

We find, however, that, though the increase in the average has been only 3.6 per cent. during the past year, the increase in the number of admissions has been 4.4 per cent., which indicates a greater activity in the work of the hospital, and consequently a greater number of acute cases.

The increasing number of acute cases in the hospital is also shown by the average number of weeks occupied by each patient for the last five years. We find this to have been in

<i>1880</i>	<i>1881</i>	<i>1882</i>	<i>1883</i>	<i>1884</i>
8.2	7.1	7.8	7.2	6.8

The increase in our average would undoubtedly have been greater, if we had not constantly sent those soldier patients who did not require active treatment to the Fitch Home at Noroton. Since the opening of the Bridgeport Hospital, we have also sent a few to that institution.

The largest number of patients on any one day was 136, and the smallest 100. There have been during the year 22 births and 107 deaths. The number of births is exactly the same as in 1883, but the number of deaths is very much greater, there having been in that year only 83.

Our finances for the year have reflected very strikingly the changes which have been noticed in the movement of the population of the hospital. Our current receipts amounted to \$36,038.20 ; our current expenses, not counting the amount paid towards the improvements in ventilation but counting in the other expenditures for repairs and improvements, amounted to \$39,647.73; making a loss in the year's business of \$3,609.53. This is considerably less than the total deficit of last year, but it is greater than that deficit would have been without the unusually large outlay for special improvements and repairs. In 1883 the deficit on our running expenses alone was only \$2,270.16.

In order to explain this, we must compare the total expenses and receipts with the number of patients. We find, then, that in 1883 the average earnings per patient, leaving out of account extraordinary receipts but taking into account the State appropriation, was \$5.61, whereas in 1884 it was \$5.77. On the other hand, our average current expenses per patient per week amounted to \$6.08 in 1883, and to \$6.43 in 1884. Thus, while our average earnings increased, our average expenditures increased in still greater ratio.

The increase in our average earnings is due to the proportional increase in the number of self-paying patients. We find that the increase and decrease in the number of weeks occupied by the different classes of patients was as follows :

Marine patients,	— .019	State soldiers,	— .16
Town patients,	+ .046	Self-paying patients,	+ .252
Free-bed patients,	+ .704	Charity patients,	0

In other words, while our town patients have increased very slightly, and our State soldier patients have actually fallen off in numbers, our self-paying patients have increased about .25 per cent., and although the number of patients taken on free beds has increased in a still greater ratio, their aggregate numbers are so small as to make the loss of little account in the total receipts for the year. It is owing to the disproportionate increase in self-paying patients, therefore, that our current earnings have been greater than in 1883. This, it is true, is partly counterbalanced by the

fact that our average weekly receipts from the self-paying patients were only \$6.75 while they were \$7.12 in 1883, because a comparatively smaller number of patients occupied private rooms and a comparatively greater number were placed in the wards. But the loss due to this cause was more than made good by the increase in the total number of private patients.

To explain the increase in our expenses we must make a careful examination of the amount expended per patient per week for the various items. These figures for the last four years are as follows :

	1881	1882	1883	1884
Food,	\$3.18	\$3.40	\$2.90	\$2.98
Furniture, bedding, and current repairs,	.27	.40	.29	.45
All other items except extraordinary improvements.	2.91	2.89	2.89	3.00
Total.	<u>\$6.37</u>	<u>\$6.70</u>	<u>\$6.08</u>	<u>\$6.43</u>

Thus, as compared with last year, each category of our expense account shows an increase. The increase in our per capita expenditure for food is not due to an increase in the cost of living, as the average cost of feeding an inmate of the hospital was just the same in 1884 that it was in 1883 ; but it is due to the fact that the number of attendants and nurses has increased more rapidly than the number of patients, and that, therefore, the consumption of food is greater in proportion to the patients. The number of attendants has increased during the year 14 per cent., while the number of patients has increased only 3.6 per cent. The large expenditure for furniture, bedding, and repairs, is due mainly to the outlay made for extending the little pavilion, for repainting the medical board room, and for some work connected with the improvements in ventilation which ought, properly speaking, to be classed among extraordinary expenditures. The increase in the remaining items is due, in the main, to an increased expenditure for instruments, surgical dressings, and liquors. The increase in these items is due simply to the fact that we have had a larger proportion of severe cases than in previous years.

The prudential committee has prepared a table showing the cost per patient of the principal items of expenditure, which will be appended to this report and which will furnish the details upon which these statements are based.* We will only call attention to the fact that while the price of flour, bread, and crackers, butter,

* This table was presented at the annual meeting, but is not printed with this report.

poultry, eggs, and milk, has fallen during the past year, the per capita consumption of some of the most expensive articles of diet, such as meat, poultry, eggs, and butter, has increased. This is because we had so many very sick patients requiring special diet. The per capita outlay for salaries and wages has diminished very perceptibly during the past five years, but has increased a little during the past year on account of the necessity of employing a clerk in the superintendent's office and additional ward masters, our former force having been quite inadequate and the superintendent having been greatly in need of some relief in the office work.

The following table indicates for each of the five past years the loss per patient per week on current earnings and expenses :

	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884
Earnings,	\$5.57	\$5.85	\$5.72	\$5.61	\$5.77
Expenditures,	6.55	6.37	6.70	6.08	6.43
Difference,	<u>\$0.98</u>	<u>\$0.52</u>	<u>\$0.98</u>	<u>\$0.47</u>	<u>\$0.66</u>

If we look at the distribution of this loss among the different classes of patients, we find that, as usual, the bulk of it falls upon town and State patients. Both on marine patients and on the self-paying patients we make a profit, as the sums that they pay are greater than the average cost of maintaining them. The government pays for marines \$7 a week, and private patients, as has been stated, have paid on an average \$6.75 a week. The State soldier patients, who are paid for by the State at the rate of \$5.50 a week, cost us 93 cents a week more than they pay, which makes a total loss upon the number of soldier patients in the hospital during the past year of \$1,243.41. The town patients, who are paid for at the rate of only \$4 a week, cost us \$2.43 more than we receive. Part of this is made up by the annual appropriation of \$5,000, but even allowing for this sum our net loss on this class of patients was during the year 1884 \$1,675.21. There seems to be no logical reason for any loss at all on these classes of patients. The appropriation was originally intended not only to make up for low rates but to help the hospital, and the appropriation is, we believe, still thought by a large number of people to be a bonus, which we receive from the State and which justifies the name "State Hospital," formerly applied to this institution. In point of fact, our connection with the State caused us last year a loss altogether of \$2,918.62, and we cannot but feel that it is an injus-

tice to the self-paying patients, who are most of them poor, that they should be obliged to pay full rates, while the State and towns receive a large discount. Two years ago the rates for soldier patients were raised through the efforts of the prudential committee from \$4.50 to \$5.50, and we think that it is only just that they should again be raised to such a point that the hospital will not suffer a loss from the patronage of the State. It should be remembered that when the low rates for soldier patients were originally made, most of those who were sent to the hospital were in need of very little medical treatment and simply used the place as a home ; but all cases that are received now require active treatment and demand just as much care and attention as any others.

The deficit on our current business does not necessarily represent a deficit in the treasury, as we have two sources of income that are not accounted for in the superintendent's books, the contributions of Hospital Sunday and the income from our invested funds. Both of these will be given in detail in the report of the treasurer.

The hospital has been during the past year the recipient of a number of generous gifts. Miss Julia M. Olmsted left us in her will a legacy of \$1,000, and a gentleman not residing in New Haven, who especially desired that his name should not be mentioned, made us a present of \$1,000, while another gentleman has given anonymously \$900, to be used for the general purposes of the hospital. A check for \$500 was also received by the prudential committee from Mrs. J. S. Griffing to be used according to their discretion, and they decided to turn it over to the special improvement fund. Besides these we have obtained subscriptions to the special improvement fund amounting to \$3,950, of which \$2,000 have already been paid.

To all of these generous benefactors we desire to express our sincere thanks.

The permanent fund has been increased during the past year by the investment, under the direction of the finance committee, of \$6,938.00, the greater part of which was contributed in 1883.

At the annual meeting of 1884 the prudential committee were appointed a committee of conference to meet the managers of the Connecticut Training School for Nurses, and confer with them regarding the advisability of revising the agreement between the two institutions. The result of their negotiations was that the

training school agreed to add to its regular corps five ward head nurses, to be chosen from those pupils who have had at least one year's training in the school, and to be kept in the position of ward head nurses from four to six months. The number of nurses to be allowed the training school was arranged at the same time on a sliding scale. The number, instead of being fixed, is to be in the proportion of one to every five patients in the hospital, with six additional nurses to meet the various demands for private cases, for the diet kitchen, maternity cases, and the isolating cottages. This arrangement, though it increases somewhat the number of nurses to be boarded by the hospital, very greatly increases the efficiency of the nursing service according to the unanimous verdict of the attending physicians, as expressed by them in their annual report. While commending the new system, we cannot but express our appreciation of the skill and devotion, with which it is put into execution, and the whole work of nursing carried on by Miss Cremer, who was appointed lady superintendent of the training school during the year.

The ventilation of the hospital, which has for so many years been an unsolved problem, was again brought up at the annual meeting in January, 1884, and has, it is believed, at last been settled. At that time the directors appointed a ventilating committee, consisting of Dr. Francis Bacon, Dr. Moses C. White, and the prudential committee. This committee thought best not to incur any expense or to propose any plans before obtaining the views of the best expert that could be found. They accordingly consulted with Professor William P. Trowbridge of the Columbia School of Mines, who very cheerfully offered to make a complete plan for the ventilation, and to give his services in the matter gratuitously to the hospital. Under his direction a system was elaborated and, after having been accepted by the board of directors, was constructed and is now nearly ready to be put in operation.

This plan consists in drawing the air from the wards through ducts down to air chambers in the cellar and expelling it through the old ventilating shafts at the extremities of the building. The ducts are constructed according to a plan originally suggested by Dr. Moses C. White. They are made of sheet iron and are run along the ceilings of the first and second story wards like a cornice. The duct in each ward is connected by tin-lined branches, with openings in the ward immediately above, one of these open-

ings being placed at the head of each bed near the floor. The wards on the first story are ventilated through ducts running in the cellar and having openings in the floor directly under the beds. To ensure perfect circulation of air, the hot air registers have been raised to a height of about seven feet from the floors of the wards, and in the mansards coils of steam pipes are to be placed under each of the windows in such a way as to ensure a constant supply of fresh heated air.

The result is that the hot air will, under the new system, be supplied about midway between the ceiling and the floor of the wards and, after having become vitiated, will be drawn off near the floor. It will then be led through the ducts to upright shafts at the ends of the building and from there down to air chambers in the cellar, from which it will be expelled through the ventilating shafts by Blackman fans. Two fans are necessary for this purpose, one situated in each of the ventilating shafts. The motive power for the fans is supplied by two four-horse-power Bigelow engines. The steam is furnished by a twenty-horse-power Bigelow boiler which has been placed in the laundry cellar. This boiler is made large enough to furnish power for both of the engines at present used and for an additional seven-horse-power engine, should one be placed in the laundry. In addition to this, it does all the heating formerly done by the laundry furnace.

This system is intended to furnish for each person 2,000 cubic feet of air an hour, thus giving a constant supply of fresh material for breathing. After the annual meeting the members of the hospital society will be invited to inspect the practical working of the machinery.

The whole of the work, with the exception of a few details which did not admit of being accurately calculated, and of the steam coils which are now being placed in the mansard, has been done by contract. The mason-work has been performed by Chatfield & Grant, the carpenter's work by George Rockwell, and the iron work by T. W. Corbett. The boiler and engines have been furnished by H. B. Bigelow & Co. We take pleasure in stating that the Bigelow Company, in making their estimate, not only put their price much below the catalogue rates, but offered in addition a donation of \$50 to the hospital. The contract price of the whole, including the fans, amounts to \$3,515.00.

Though the expense of this ventilating system has been considerable, we feel that it is fully justified, and that it has been

executed with thoroughness and at reasonable rates by the contractors. The hospital has of late been so crowded that we have felt it absolutely necessary to improve the ventilation as a safeguard against hospitalism and epidemics. This danger we think the new system of ventilation removes as far as possible.

Among the minor improvements that have been made may be mentioned the re-painting and re-furnishing of the medical board room, whose shabbiness had for several years excited the criticisms of our friends, and the erection of an addition to the small pavilion in order to provide for a paint shop outside of the hospital proper. This was done in pursuance of a recommendation of the board of visitors, and lessens, we believe, very considerably, the fire risk. We have also purchased a 14x16 tent, which can be used in summer to accommodate patients requiring isolation, when the pavilions are full.

The need of a new building has been spoken of so often, both in the annual reports of the directors and in the quarterly reports of the prudential committee, that it seems superfluous to urge our needs in this direction any more. During the past year the prudential committee, judging it to be impossible to raise enough money to put up a brick addition, such as is plainly desirable, set themselves to work to obtain plans for a one-story wooden building, to contain a ward of twenty-two beds, and the necessary dining-room, bath-rooms, closets, etc., as well as an accident room.

The design which they have recommended for this purpose can probably be carried out at an expense of \$7,500. The ventilating will cost about \$3,500. They have accordingly endeavored to raise ten or eleven thousand dollars to cover the expense of these two objects. Subscriptions to the extent of \$4,450 have thus far been received, and an anonymous gift of one thousand dollars is in the treasury and can be appropriated to this object, if necessary. This would leave \$5,500 more to be raised in order to cover the whole expense contemplated. It seems a small sum to ask of the people of New Haven for such an object, and we feel that there ought to be no difficulty in raising what is needed before spring, in order that we may at once proceed with the building in the early summer.

In closing, it gives us pleasure to testify again to our appreciation of the ability, industry, and fidelity of the superintendent and of the officers of the hospital under him. We are indebted in a

more than usual degree this year to the boards of visitors, both of whom have been most regular and systematic in their work, and from both of whom we have received valuable suggestions with regard to the hospital. To those who have contributed towards the Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners and the Christmas tree, and who have sent other donations throughout the year, we wish to express our grateful acknowledgments. Our thanks are due in an especial degree to those who have given not only money but time and strength to the service of the sick ; to the clergymen who have conducted services in the chapel ; and to the singers who, under the direction of Miss Alice Wilson, have come to the hospital every Sunday afternoon and delighted the patients with their music.

For the Board of Directors,

HENRY W. FARNAM,
WILLIAM H. CARMALT,
THOMAS HOOKER,

Prudential Committee.

NEW HAVEN, January 29, 1885.

At the annual meeting of the board of directors of the General Hospital Society held January 30, 1885, the following vote was passed :

Resolved, That in recognition of the generosity of Dr. Henry Bronson in contributing to the funds of the hospital, and in further commemoration of the services of his son, the late Dr. S. Henry Bronson, ward No. 1 west be named the "Bronson Ward."

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL BOARD.

To the Board of Directors of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :

GENTLEMEN—The medical board believe that the year past has been productive of good and efficient work on their part.

An increase of the active service in the hospital seems to require the appointment of a fourth member of the house staff.

The board take pleasure in testifying to their satisfaction with the nursing as at present rendered, and to its increased efficiency since the appointment of assistant head nurses in each ward.

In behalf of the medical board,

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

SAMUEL D. GILBERT,
Secretary Medical Board.

NEW HAVEN, January 12, 1885.

MEDICAL STATISTICS.

SURGICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL IN 1884.

Abscesses:		Contractions:	
abdominal wall.....	2	from burus.....	3
back.....	2	cicatricial.....	1
facial.....	3	Contusions:	
foot.....	1	back.....	3
gluteal.....	1	chest.....	1
palmar.....	1	Cystitis.....	7
perineal.....	1	Dermatitis venenata.....	1
psoas.....	1	Dislocations:	
Amaurosis.....	1	clavicle.....	1
Aneurism:		elbow, compound.....	1
femoral.....	1	knee, ".....	1
popliteal.....	2	patella, chronic.....	1
Ankylosis:		radius.....	1
elbow.....	1	shoulder.....	1
hip.....	1	" compound.....	1
Arthritis:		Eczema.....	8
knee.....	2	Elephantiasis.....	4
shoulder.....	1	Epididymitis.....	4
Bubo.....	6	Epistaxis.....	2
Burns.....	8	Erysipelas.....	3
Calculus, vesical.....	5	Fissures of anus.....	2
Caries:		Fistula in ano.....	7
palate and ethmoid, syphilitic.....	1	Fractures:	
tarsus.....	1	clavicle.....	2
Cataract:		Colles's.....	1
senile.....	3	femur.....	7
traumatic.....	3	" neck of.....	3
Cellulitis:		" and Colles's.....	1
hand.....	1	humerus.....	3
leg.....	3	" compound.....	2
Chancroid.....	2	" anat. neck of, radius and	
" and bubo.....	4	ulna.....	1
Cleft palate.....	1	nosc. compound.....	1
Concussion:		patella.....	4
brain.....	1	phalanges.....	1
spine.....	2	" compound.....	9

Fractures:		Panophthalmitis	1
Pott's	7	Pemphigus	1
radius, compound	1	Periostitis;	
“ and ulna compound	2	tarsus	1
ribs	5	tibia	1
“ sternum, tibia and fibula com-		Peritonitis, traumatic	1
pound	1	Pott's disease	4
“ tibia and fibula	1	Prolapsus ani	1
scapula, compound	1	Prostate, enlarged	1
skull, base of	1	Psoriasis	1
“ compound	1	Pyæmia	1
tibia and fibula	4	Pyelitis	1
“ “ compound	7	Rachitis	1
“ with dislocation of fibula	1	Retention of urine	2
vertebra, dorsal	1	Scabies	1
Frost bites:		Sprains:	
feet	8	ankle	3
fingers	11	back	2
Gangrene:		elbow	1
senile, of foot	1	Strictures:	
traumatic, of foot	1	rectum, organic	2
“ of feet and hands	1	“ spasmodic	1
Genu valgum	1	“ with ulceration, syphilitic	2
“ varum	2	urethra	4
Gonorrhœa	4	“ with urinary fistulæ	2
Granular lids	1	Subluxation of carpus, bilateral	1
Hare-lip	1	Syphilis	6
Hernia:		Tumors:	
inguinal, reducible	2	abdominal	2
“ strangulated	1	adenoma:	
Hydrocele	1	face	2
Injury to eye	4	sub-maxillary	1
Intestinal obstruction	2	carcinoma:	
Iritis	3	axillary glands	2
“ and keratitis	3	breast	10
Keratitis	7	neck and tongue	2
Morbus coxarius	10	uterus and ovaries	2
Necrosis:		condylomata of arms, syphilitic	2
humerus	2	epithelioma:	
maxilla, inferior	1	eyelids	1
“ superior	3	lip	2
pelvis	1	tongue	1
phalanges	2	gumma of thigh	1
ribs	6	hæmatoma, gluteal	1
tibia	1	lipoma:	
Ophthalmia, gonorrhœal	1	back	1
Optic nerve, atrophy of	1	hip	1
Orchitis	4	mons veneris and labium	1

Tumors:		Ulcers:	
ovarian cysts	4	stump	2
sarcoma:		toe	1
axilla	2	Urethritis	1
back	2	Varicose veins	2
breast	1	Vesical atony	2
face	2	Whitlow	2
scalp	1	Wounds, gun shot:	
Ulcers:		abdominal wall	1
arm	1	jaw	1
back, syphilitic	1	nose	1
cornea	1	scalp	1
foot, phagadenic	1	thigh	1
knees, syphilitic	1	incised of throat	1
leg, indolent	8	lacerated:	
" inflamed	3	foot	1
" syphilitic	3	hand	2
" varicose	3	toe	1
scrotum	1	urethra	1

SURGICAL OPERATIONS IN 1884.

Amputations:		Excision of sarcoma of axilla	
arm	1	" " of back	3
breast	5	" tumor, gluteal	1
fingers	11	Exploration of intra-pelvic abscess	1
forearm	2	Hare-lip	1
Hev's	1	Incisions, exploratory about hip joint	1
leg	2	Insertion of Malgaigne's hooks	1
Pirogoff's	3	Iridectomy	6
thigh	1	Ligation of hemorrhoids	3
thumb	1	" of lingual artery	2
toes	4	" of femoral artery	2
tongue	1	Litholapaxy	3
Cataract, extraction of	1	Lithotomy	2
" puncture of lens for	1	Lithotrity	2
Circumcision	1	Osteotomy for genu valgum	1
Colotomy, lumbar	1	" for ununited fracture of	
Dilatation of sphincter ani	1	femur	1
Division of anal fistulæ	3	Ovariectomy	3
" of sinuses of back	1	Plastic for cicatricial contractions	2
Divulsion of urethral stricture	1	Sequestrotomy of humerus	1
Enucleation of eyeball	2	" " femur	1
Excision of carcinomatous glands of		" sup. maxilla	3
axilla	1	" tibia	2
Excision of epithelioma of eyelids	1	Staphylorrhaphy	1
" " " lip	2	Tracheotomy	1
" hip joint	2	Trephining skull	1
" lipoma of hip	1		
" " mons veneris and labium	1	Total	98

MEDICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL IN 1884.

Abortion	1	Fever, malarial continued	5
Abscess, pulmonary	1	“ remittent	1
Alcoholism	8	“ typhoid	21
Anæmia	2	Gastritis, acute	2
Aneurism of arch of aorta	1	“ subacute	2
Angina pectoris	1	Hemiplegia	10
Aortic regurgitation	2	Hæmoptysis	1
“ stenosis	1	Hypochondria	1
Apoplexy cerebral	5	Hysteria	4
Asthma, spasmodic	1	Insolation	1
Ataxia locomotor	4	Malarial cachexia	5
Atrophy, progressive muscular	1	Malingering	10
Bronchitis, acute	5	Mania, acute	2
“ chronic	4	Melancholia	2
“ chronic with asthma	2	Meningitis	1
Carcinoma of brain	1	Mitral regurgitation	12
“ intestine	1	“ and aortic regurgitation	1
Cephalalgia	1	“ regurgitation and aortic stenosis	2
Cholera Morbus	2	“ regurgitation and stenosis and aortic regurgitation	1
Cirrhosis of liver	5	“ regurgitation and stenosis and aortic regurgitation and stenosis	2
“ liver and kidney	1	Myalgia	2
Coccyodynia	1	Nephritis, acute diffuse	2
Colic, lead	2	“ chronic “	19
Colitis and proctitis, ulcerative	1	Neuralgia	2
Constipation	4	Neurosthenia	3
Debility, general	11	Neuritis, multiple	4
“ senile	4	Obesity	1
Delirium tremens	3	Pachymeningitis	1
Diarrhœa, acute	2	Paralysis	3
“ chronic	3	“ agitans	2
Diphtheria, convalescence from	1	“ lead	3
Dysentery, acute	3	“ pseudo-hypertrophic muscular	2
“ chronic	2	Paraphlegia	3
Dyspepsia	5	Perihepatitis	1
Encephalitis with degeneration of heart	1	Peritonitis	3
Endocarditis, chronic	1	Pertussis	1
Enteritis, chronic	2	Phlebitis	1
“ with chronic diffuse nephritis	1	Phthisis	55
Emphysema, pulmonary	1	“ fibroid	1
Empyema	6	Pleuritis, acute	1
Epilepsy	2	“ subacute	4
Erysipelas, facial	1	Pleurodynia	1
Febricula	1		
Fever, continued	4		
“ intermittent	8		

Pneumonia, lobar	10	Rheumatism, gonorrheal	2
“ lobular	1	“ subacute	9
“ hydro-thorax	1	Rheumatoid arthritis	2
Poisoning, lead	2	Sarcoma of brain	1
“ opium	2	Sciatica	6
Polio-myelitis	5	Sclerosis of anterior lateral column ..	1
Pregnancy	28	Scorbutus	2
Rheumatism, acute	11	Tonsilitis, follicular	2
“ “ and endocarditis ..	1	Tuberculosis and empyema	1
“ “ chronic diffuse ..		Tumor of brain	3
“ “ nephritis	1	Unclassified	2
“ “ pericarditis ..	2		
“ chronic	11	Total	426

GYNÆCOLOGICAL CASES TREATED IN THE HOSPITAL IN 1884.

Abscess, mammary	1	Fungoid, degeneration of endome-	
“ pelvic	4	trium	1
Anteflexion with endometritis	1	Ovarian cyst	2
Carcinoma of uterus	5	Perineum lacerated	1
Cervix elongated and misplaced rec-		“ “ and cervix lac-	
tum	1	erated	5
“ lacerated and granular erosion ..	7	Peritonitis and cellulitis, pelvic	8
Endometritis, cervical	1	“ chronic pelvic	1
“ chronic	2	Prolapse and lacerated cervix	1
“ “ with granular ..		Retroflexion and endometritis	2
erosion	1	Retroversion and neurasthenia	1
Fibroma of uterus	2	“ “ endometritis	2
Fistula recto-vaginal and stricture of		“ “ prolapse	1
rectum	1	Septicæmia puerperal	1
“ ntero-vesical	1	Total	48

GYNÆCOLOGICAL OPERATIONS DURING 1884.

Cancer of uterus, excision of	1
Colporrhaphy	1
Fibroma of uterus, enucleation of	1
Perineorrhaphy	1
“ immediate	8
“ and trachelorrhaphy	3
Trachelorrhaphy	3
Total	18

NUMBER OF BIRTHS.

January	3	May	2	September	1
February	4	June	2	October	2
March	1	July	0	November	0
April	2	August	4	December	1
Total,		22	

Prepared by

GEO. FRED LEWIS, M.D., *House Physician.*

CAUSES OF DEATH.

Aneurism, arch of aorta	1	Mitral regurgitation, cirrhosis of liv-	
Apoplexy, cerebral	2	ver and nephritis	1
“ pulmonary	1	Mitral regurgitation, and stenosis and	
Bronchitis, capillary	1	aortic regurgitation	2
Burns	4	Morbus coxarius	2
Calculus, renal	1	Nephritis, acute	1
“ vesical	2	“ chronic	5
Carcinoma of breast	2	“ “ with fatty degen-	
“ uterus	1	eration of liver and heart	1
“ “ and ovaries	2	Nephritis, chronic with mitral regur-	
Cirrhosis of liver and kidneys	1	gitation	2
“ “ “ and mitral		Ovariectomy	1
regurgitation	1	Pachymeningitis	1
Colitis, ulcerative	1	Paraplegia	2
Cystitis	2	Peritonitis	1
Dislocation of shoulder, comp.	1	“ traumatic	2
Dysentery and abortion	1	Phthisis	15
Endocarditis, acute ulcerative	1	“ and chronic pleuritis	1
Empyema	1	Pneumonia, lobar	1
Encephalitis, with fatty degeneration		“ “ typhoid	1
of heart	1	“ lobular	1
Encephalitis and pachymeningitis ..	1	Poisoning, opium	2
Erysipelas and delirium tremens ...	1	Sarcoma of axilla	1
Ether	1	“ of back	1
Fever, puerperal	1	“ of scalp	1
“ and secondary hemorrhage	1	“ of sup. maxilla	1
“ typhoid	6	Senility	3
“ “ with lobular pneu-		Septicæmia	1
monia	1	Shock	5
Fract. femur comp. with erysipelas ..	1	Stricture of urethra and urethral fever	2
Gangrene, senile	1	Tricuspid and mitral regurgitation	
Intestinal obstruction	1	and stenosis	1
Meningitis	1	Tuberculosis, acute	1
Mitral regurgitation	1	Tumors of brain	2
“ and aortic regurgitation	1	Total	107
“ regurgitation and chronic pleu-			
ritis	1		

Fourteen of the above died within 24 hours, and three others within 48 hours after admission.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Jan. 20, 1885.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith respectfully submit the fifty-eighth annual report of receipts and disbursements, number of patients in hospital, and other items of information.

The number of patients remaining in the hospital December 31st, 1883, was 125—88 males and 37 females; admitted during the year 1884, 748—523 males, 225 females; making a total of 873 under treatment—611 males, 262 females. Of this number 314 were discharged cured, 210 improved, 118 unimproved, 107 died, and 124 remained under treatment December 31st, 1884. There were 22 births, 7 males, 15 females.

The whole number of weeks occupied was 6,050 $\frac{5}{7}$, of which 4,265 $\frac{2}{7}$ were occupied by charity patients, or those not paying full rates. These came from 78 different towns and villages in this State, and 14 other States or countries. Of those admitted, 405 were residents of New Haven.

The greatest number of patients any one day was 136; the lowest 100; the daily average 115 $\frac{7}{16}$. The attendants and other inmates have averaged 70 $\frac{2}{16}$, making a total of 185 $\frac{9}{16}$.

The current receipts, less amount refunded to patients, were \$36,038.20; the current expenses were \$39,647.73; excess of expenses over receipts, \$3,609.53.

The average cost of supporting each patient was \$6.43 per week.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, in account with GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

Dr.

1884. To amounts received:			
From balance January 22, 1884,			\$36.60
U. S. Marine patients,	-	-	2,341.00
State soldier patients,			7,391.83
Town patients,	-	-	11,785.96
Self-paying patients,			8,903.76
State appropriation,		-	5,000.00
Board,	-	-	735.43
Sales,	-	-	332.97
Sundries,	-	-	27.00
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			\$36,544.55
Orders on Treasurer,	-	-	35,721.19
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			\$72,265.74

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1884. By amounts expended :

For Flour, 4,537 pounds,	\$149.13
Meal and Rice, 4,431 pounds, -	187.36
Bread and Crackers, 32,156 pounds,	1,348.11
Cake, -	184.45
Butter, 6,760 pounds, -	1,808.74
Cheese, 409½ pounds, -	58.98
Meat, 50,646½ pounds, -	6,322.41
Poultry, 4,880½ pounds, -	988.49
Fish and oysters, 9,832 pounds.	1,183.17
Vegetables and fruit, -	1,199.45
Eggs, 3,928 dozen, -	1,084.75
Groceries, -	1,295.80
Milk, 62,894 quarts, -	2,975.99
Ice, 175,880 pounds, -	351.76
Liquors, -	404.50
Ale and Beer, -	236.97
Medicines, -	1,463.35
Instruments, -	586.21
Surgical Dressings, -	803.25
Fuel, -	3,253.18
Gas, 599,100 feet, -	1,138.29
Water, -	170.00
Furniture and crockery, -	453.29
Clothes and bedding, -	646.84
Repairs and improvements, -	1,634.28
Postage, printing and stationery, -	360.34
Barn and farm expenses, -	233.87
Tools, -	33.45
Salaries and wages, -	8,322.24
Potash and soap, -	209.23
Sundries, -	559.85
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	\$39,647.73
Special improvements, (ventilation), -	203.04
Refunded to patients, -	469.75
Deposited with treasurer, -	31,195.78
Balance, January 20, 1885, -	749.44
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	\$72,265.74

Total current hospital expenses, - - - \$39,647.73
 Less board of superintendent's family and others, 735.43

\$38,912.30

Number of weeks of hospital care, 6,050½.

Cost per week per patient, - - - 6.43

Total cost of food, - - - 18,786.83

Average daily number of inmates, 185⅓.

Cost of food per day per inmate, 27⅓c.

Respectfully,

JOHN H. STARKWEATHER.

Superintendent.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

	Males.	Females.	Total
Remaining in hospital, Dec. 31, 1883	88	37	125
Admitted during 1884.....	523	225	748
Total	611	262	873
Of this number there have been discharged—			
Cured	222	92	314
Improved	144	66	210
Unimproved	78	40	118
Died	80	27	107
	524	225	749
Remaining under treatment, Dec. 31, 1884.....	87	37	124
Total	611	262	873

MONTHLY ADMISSIONS

From January 1, 1884, to December 31, 1884.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
January	46	14	60
February	38	16	54
March	40	18	58
April	39	19	58
May	51	24	75
June	37	19	56
July	50	19	69
August	47	23	70
September	46	18	64
October	49	21	70
November	34	13	47
December	46	21	67
Total	523	225	748

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

Armenia	2	Hayti	1	Russia	2
Belgium	3	Hungary	1	Sweden	17
Bohemia	2	Ireland	184	Switzerland	3
Canada	6	Italy	17	Scotland	10
Denmark	9	New Brunswick	2	United States	372
England	27	Nova Scotia	3	Wales	4
Finland	6	Norway	4	Unknown	8
France	4	Poland	1		
Germany	59	Prince Edward's Isle	1		
					748

AGE AT TIME OF ADMISSION.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 15 years.....	20	14	34
From 15 to 20 years.....	20	18	38
“ 20 to 30 “.....	128	82	210
“ 30 to 40 “.....	105	54	159
“ 40 to 50 “.....	108	27	135
“ 50 to 60 “.....	80	15	95
“ 60 to 70 “.....	46	13	59
“ 70 to 80 “.....	13	1	14
“ 80 to 90 “.....	2	1	3
“ 90 to 100 “.....	1		1
Total	523	225	748

TIME OCCUPIED BY THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF PATIENTS.

U. S. Marine Patients.....	294 $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks.
State Soldier “.....	1337 $\frac{1}{2}$ “
Town.....	2746 $\frac{1}{2}$ “
Self-paying.....	1249 $\frac{1}{2}$ “
Free Bed.....	242 “
Charity.....	181 $\frac{1}{2}$ “
Total	6050 $\frac{1}{2}$ “

REPRESENTATION OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN CONNECTICUT

In the Hospital during the Year ending December 31, 1884.

Allington..... 1	Ledyard..... 1	Portland..... 4
Andover..... 1	Litchfield..... 1	Prospect..... 1
Ansonia..... 18	Madison..... 1	Reynolds Bridge..... 1
Bethany..... 3	Meriden..... 32	Seymour..... 6
Birmingham..... 14	Middlefield..... 1	Shelton..... 1
Branchville..... 1	Middle Haddam..... 1	Stratford..... 2
Branford..... 5	Middletown..... 4	Stony Creek..... 1
Bridgeport..... 13	Milford..... 1	South Norwalk..... 4
Bridgewater..... 1	Morris..... 1	Southington..... 13
Campville..... 1	Mt. Carmel..... 1	Southport..... 4
Central Village..... 2	Naugatuck..... 6	South Windsor..... 1
Cheshire..... 4	New Britain..... 2	Thomaston..... 4
Clintonville..... 1	Newington..... 1	Torrington..... 4
Collinsville..... 4	Niantic..... 1	Union City..... 1
Danhury..... 3	New Haven..... 373	Unionville..... 1
Darien..... 1	New London..... 5	Wallingford..... 11
Derby..... 3	New Milford..... 1	Washington..... 1
East Hartford..... 1	North Haven..... 3	Waterbury..... 19
East Haven..... 1	North Madison..... 1	Watertown..... 2
Fair Haven..... 26	Noroton..... 1	West Haven..... 9
Guilford..... 3	Norwalk..... 1	Westville..... 6
Hamdon..... 4	Norwich..... 3	Westbrook..... 2
Hartford..... 1	Orange..... 1	Winsted..... 6
Huntington..... 1	Plainville..... 1	Woodbury..... 1
Killingworth..... 1	Plymouth..... 1	Woodbridge..... 1
		Woodville..... 1

OCCUPATION.

Attorney clerks	2	Farmers	18	Printers	2
Bartenders	5	Firemen	2	Porters	3
Bakers	4	Foundrymen	2	Quarrymen	3
Barbers	5	Gardeners	3	Rag pickers	2
Blacksmiths	14	Grinders	3	Restaurant keeper	1
Bell-boy	1	Grocers	4	Roll grinder	1
Brakemen	6	Hatters	5	Rubber workers	5
Brass-workers	3	Harness maker	1	Saloon keeper	1
Bootblack	1	Hostlers	5	Sawyers	2
Book-keepers	6	Housekeeper	1	Seamstress	1
Bottler	1	House work	19	Seamen	70
Brewers	2	Janitors	2	Servants	14
Burnishers	2	Joiners	8	Shirt maker	1
Buffers	2	Laborers	92	Silk spinner	1
Butehers	2	Landdresses	3	Spring grinder	1
Cabinet maker	1	Lock maker	1	Spoon makers	2
Carpenters	9	Machinists	8	Stone cutters	2
Carriage makers	3	Masons	8	Tailors	5
Cartridge maker	1	Mechanics	3	Teachers	2
Canvassers	2	Marble worker	1	Toamsters	14
Cigar maker	1	Melter	1	Tool maker	1
Clerks	2	Metal turner	1	Varnisher	1
Clock makers	5	Milliners	2	Veterinary surgeons	2
Clergyman	1	Molders	6	Waiters	4
Coachmen	3	Nurses	2	Watchmen	7
Coach maker	1	Oiler	1	Watchmaker	1
Conductor, R. R.	1	Opera singer	1	Waitresses	3
Cooks	3	Packer	1	Ward-master	1
Copper-workers	2	Painters	20	Weaver	1
Cutlers	4	Paper box maker	1	Wire workers	5
Electro-plater	1	Paper hanger	1	Wheel makers	3
Engineers	3	Physician	1	Woodcutter	1
Engraver	1	Primer	1	Woodturner	1

DONATIONS

RECEIVED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR 1884.

Publishers have kindly furnished the hospital with the New Haven Daily Palladium, the New Haven Daily Journal and Courier, the New Haven Daily Register, the New Haven Daily Union, and the New Haven Morning News. Friends have also sent and subscribed for the Independent and the Youths' Companion, children of Dr. G. B. Farnam the St. Nicholas Magazine.

BOOKS, MAGAZINES AND PAPERS.

Mrs. E. H. Trowbridge, Mrs. Judd, May T. Potter, Mrs. N. E. Bailey, Leonard S. Hotchkiss (11 times), Dr. Robertson, Mrs. M. F. Tyler, Dr. T. H. Bishop, Watson V. Coe, Miss Bunnell, Mrs. Robert Wilson, Mrs. H. T. Blake, George H. Ford, Mrs. W. D. Clarkson (4 times), Thomas R. Trowbridge, Jr., Mrs. Edward Howarth, Mrs. H. B. Harrison, Mrs. L. H. Wood, Mrs. J. R. Pinkerman, Mrs. Jonathan Ingersoll, William Gale, Edward Butler, Miss Blakeslee, Mrs. Hoadley, Y. W. C. Association, Sherman E. Grannis, L. Bostwick, Mrs. E. E. Atwater, Charles H. Farnam, Mrs. Edward Stevens, Mrs. William C. Robinson, Mrs. Everit, G. W. Smith, Mrs. Goodwin, Mrs. Hoadley B. Ives, Mrs. J. B. Rowe, F. R. Bliss, Mrs. Moriarty.

CLOTHING, OLD LINEN AND OLD MUSLIN.

Mrs. Corey, Mrs. Boardman, Mrs. R. Bell, Miss Yale, Mrs. C. A. Lindsley, Mrs. H. T. Blake, Mrs. Dr. L. H. Wood, Mrs. Jonas Ullman, Mrs. O. A. Thayer, Dr. Thomas H. Russell, Mrs. Osborn, Mrs. Curtiss, Mrs. Gardner Morse, Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Kimberly, Mrs. Philo Chatfield, Mrs. Hemingway, Mrs. S. Merwin, H. W. Galpin, C. W. Townsend, S. G. Thorn, Mrs. Frink, Mrs. James G. English, Mrs. B. Healey, Grace Church, Leonard S. Hotchkiss, Mrs. Sperry, Miss Learned, Mrs. E. Bassett, Miss Bailey, Mrs. S. Whitlock, Young Ladies' Sewing Society, Mrs. D. L. Gardiner, Mrs. R. J. Miner, Mrs. Creemer, Mrs. S. H. Street, Mrs. B. B. Savage, Mrs. J. D. Baldwin, Mrs. J. D. Reynolds, Mrs. Rockwell, Mrs. T. H. Pease, Mrs. J. Peck, Mrs. Peets, Mrs. Foote, Mrs. C. F. Platt, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Bowers, Mrs. J. E. Earle, Mrs. Everett, Mrs. E. D. Page, Mrs. J. H. Klock, Mrs. E. Smith, Mrs. Burritt Hitchcock, Mr. Bunnell, Mrs. Harwood, Mrs. R. M. Everit, Mrs. J. B. Carrington, Mrs. Beecher, Mrs. Geo. P. Marvin, Mrs. Samuel Hitchcock, Mrs. Homer Fitch, Mrs. I. R. Cornwall, Mrs. L. Herrick,

J. N. Fulton, Mrs. H. B. Harrison, Mrs. Pierpont, Mrs. Thomas Wells, C. B. Gorram, Mrs. J. B. Hood, Trinity Home, Mrs. E. J. Barrett, Mrs. H. T. Blake, Mrs. Lurty, Mrs. Beach, Rev. E. E. Beardsley, Mrs. Lewis Fitch, Mrs. Hiram Camp, Mrs. Platt, Mrs. Robinson, Dr. F. C. Stone, E. Smith, Miss Foster, Mrs. Reed, Miss Prudden, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Wm. R. Tyler, Mrs. Geo. C. Crittenden, Mrs. Foskett, Mrs. H. B. Allen, S. H. Berkley, Mrs. E. S. Rowland, Mrs. Joseph Short, Mrs. Joseph Parker, Dr. Bogart, Mrs. Joseph E. Sheffield, Mrs. Lucinthia Chatfield, Mrs. Mansfield, C. P. Wurts, Mrs. E. E. Atwater, Mrs. Rowe, Miss Julia Banks, Mrs. Cleeton, Mrs. Thos. Modicy, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Byington, Mrs. Hickox, Mrs. Wm. Brotherton, Mrs. A. McAlister, Mrs. J. H. Ensign, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Frank Belden, A. Sachs, J. S. Fowler, Mrs. T. D. Woolsey, Mrs. W. H. Russell, Mrs. H. A. Newton, Mrs. Horace Fitch, Mrs. Andrews, Miss DuBois, Prof. Johnson, Mrs. Griffith, Rev. C. H. Williams, Mr. Shaw, J. W. Stoddard, A. C. Wilcox, R. W. Mills, Mrs. G. L. Thompson, Mrs. Alfred Blackman, B. Mansfield, Miss Carrie Peck, Mrs. Dr. Alling, Mrs. Levi Gilbert, Mrs. Frederick Ives, Bartholomew Healy, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Lanfair, and thirty-one packages from unknown friends.

FRUITS AND FLOWERS.

Miss Susan Bradley, Miss Hawkins, Mrs. G. S. Lord, Trinity S. School, Mrs. Read, Mrs. Woodruff, Mrs. Hodson, John Cramer, Mrs. Geo. Botsford, Mrs. Winchester, Mrs. Everett, Mrs. J. P. Rowe, Dr. J. S. Walker, Mrs. Sturgis Whitlock, Mrs. S. W. Whitlock, Mrs. Judd, Mrs. Trowbridge, Miss English.

FOR THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS.

Mrs. Griffing, 2 dozen silver-plated tea spoons; Mrs. Wm. Fitch, Christmas letters; Mrs. S. W. Whitlock, nuts and fruit; Church of the Redeemer, toys; Dr. G. B. Farnam, \$25.00; Mrs. Ann S. Farnam, \$50.00; turkeys from Dr. E. H. Bishop, Dr. T. H. Bishop, Edwin Marble, Miss Lillie T. Parker, Mrs. Wm. Fitch, Mrs. E. H. Trowbridge, Mrs. J. B. Carrington, Mrs. Everit, Robert Morgan, Wm. O. Armstrong, Mrs. John A. Porter, Mrs. E. C. Read, Mrs. John English; 1 bbl. apples, 1 box oranges, 1 bunch bananas and 5 lbs. grapes, Mrs. F. P. Gilbert.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mrs. E. G. Thompson, a variety of surgical and medical appliances; Mrs. Jonathan Ingersoll, wardrobe; John Sheffield Porter, stuffed rolling and reclining chair; Dr. W. H. Carmalt, hammock support; Dr. R. O. DuBois, one pair crutches; Miss M. R. Fellowes, three jars pickles; Mrs. E. A. Mitchell, cakes and biscuit; Mrs. Rogers, two feather pillows; Mrs. Briggs and Miss Weber, $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen bottles grape wine; Mrs. Demarest, pop corn for children; Mrs. Stoughton, medical appliances; Miss Newton, spoons; Mrs. Harwood, eggs; Mrs. Whitlock, ice cream; Rev. E. E. Beardsley, one air cushion and two dressing rubbers; Mrs. Dr. Bacon, 3 dozen stand covers.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

RECEIVED BY L. S. HOTCHKISS, TREASURER.

The days set apart for this collection in 1884 were Saturday and Sunday, January 12th and 13th.

From William L. Andrews, New York.....	\$25.00
German Lutheran Evangelical Trinity Church.....	11.11
Westville Congregational Church.....	30.12
Church of the United Society (North).....	194.13
First Church (Center).....	978.69
St. John's Episcopal Church.....	7.40
R. S. Fellowes.....	50.00
Trinity Episcopal Church.....	467.30
Pierpont B. Foster.....	25.00
Christ Church.....	18.56
Howard Avenue Congregational Church.....	14.13
Seymour Congregational Church.....	18.75
G. W. Folwell, Waterbury.....	2.00
Grace Church, Fair Haven.....	10.00
William McCall, Branford.....	1.00
St. Thomas Church, New Haven.....	58.29
Church of the Sacred Heart.....	63.00
T. F. Hammer, Branford.....	5.00
Mrs. F. B. Dexter.....	25.00
Church of the Redeemer.....	305.00
Trinity Chapel.....	10.61
Church of the Ascension.....	9.03
Christ Church, Guilford.....	23.20
First Congregational Church, Fair Haven.....	33.35
Davenport Congregational Church.....	79.06
Dwight Place Church.....	51.95
Trinity M. E. Church.....	34.37
W. D. Whitney.....	10.00
First Congregational Church, Waterbury.....	29.40
St. Paul's Church, New Haven.....	173.04
Second Congregational Church, Fair Haven.....	23.13
Humphrey Street Congregational Church.....	66.63
St. Boniface (R. C.) Church.....	12.00
Friend in Westville.....	2.00
Congregation Mishkan Israel.....	144.75
Congregational Church, Birmingham.....	22.00
First M. E. Church.....	56.12
E. J. B.....	5.00
St. John's (R. C.) Church.....	22.25
Congregation B'nai Sholom.....	11.00
Calvary Baptist Church.....	125.00
College Street Church.....	20.00
Mrs. Ann S. Farnam.....	200.00

\$3,473.37

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The General Hospital Society of Connecticut,
In account with LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, *Treasurer.*

DR.

1884.	To orders of prudential committee paid.....	\$34,790.95
Jan. 2.	Amount paid for 261 shares New Haven County National Bank stock.....	3,654.00
	Amount paid for seventeen shares Yale National Bank stock.....	2,006.00
Feb. 21.	Amount paid for seventeen shares New Haven County National Bank stock.....	238.00
July 5.	Amount paid for six shares Second National Bank stock....	918.00
Aug. 7.	Amount paid for two shares Merchaut's National Bank stock.....	122 00
Dec. 31.	Balance to new account.....	5,675.08
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		\$47,404.03

1884	CR.	
Jan. 1.	By balance old account.....	\$7,468.44
	Collections Hospital Sunday.....	3,473.37
	Donations, etc., as follows: F. E. Beckwith.....	\$25.00
	A friend.....	400.00
	Mrs. Wm. Fitch.....	50.00
	A friend.....	500.00
	A friend.....	1,000.00
	Julia M. Ohnsted estate (legacy).....	1,000.00
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		2,975.00

Interest as follows:

Mar. 21.	Six months interest to March 15, 1884, on Town of New Haven \$5,000 note.....	\$125.00
April 5.	Dividend Yale National Bank stock, 17 shares.....	51.00
April 16.	Dividend New Haven County National Bank stock, 600 shares.....	210.00
May 8.	Six months interest to May 5, 1884, on Town of New Haven \$15,000 note.....	375.00
June 12.	Six months interest to Dec. 7, 1884, on M. C. & H. W. E. Munson note.....	125.00
July 2.	Six months interest, City of New Haven bonds.....	100.00
	Dividend Merchant's National Bank stock, 98 shares.....	171.50
Sept. 23.	Six months interest to Sept. 15, 1884, on Town of New Haven \$5,000 note.....	125.00
Oct. 7.	Dividend Yale National Bank stock, 17 shares.....	51.00
	16. Dividend New Haven County National Bank stock, 600 shares.....	210.00
Nov. 18.	Six months interest to Nov. 5, 1884, on Town of New Haven \$15,000 note.....	375.00
Dec. 10.	Six months interest to June 7, 1885, on M. C. & H. W. E. Munson note.....	125.00
	31. Six months interest on City of New Haven bonds, due Jan 1, 1885.....	100.00
	Dividend Merchaut's National Bank. 100 shares....	175.00
	Dividend Second National Bank, 6 shares.....	30.00
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		2,348.50

Amounts received from J. H. Starkweather, superintendent. 31,138.72

\$47,404.03

SECURITIES ON HAND. JANUARY 1, 1885.

Four bonds of the City of New Haven, par.....	\$4,000.00
One hundred shares Merchant's National Bank stock, par.....	5,000.00
Six hundred shares New Haven County National Bank stock, par....	6,000.00
Seventeen shares Yale National Bank stock, par.....	1,700.00
Note Town of New Haven (5 per cent.).....	15,000.00
Note Town of New Haven (5 per cent.).....	5,000.00
Note Mary C. and H. W. E. Munson.....	5,000.00
Six shares Second National Bank stock, par.....	600.00

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, Treasurer.

New Haven, January 1, 1885.

We have examined the within and foregoing account, and have compared the same with the account as entered upon the books of the treasurer, and have compared the payments therein made with the vouchers therefor, and find the same correct, and that there was, on the first day of January, 1885, a balance \$5,675.08 to the credit of the treasurer in the New Haven County National Bank.

We also find that the treasurer has in his possession belonging to said Hospital Society the following securities and property, namely :

Four bonds of the City of New Haven, par.....	\$4,000.00
Note of Mary C. and H. W. E. Munson, secured by mortgage.....	5,000.00
Note of the Town of New Haven for.....	15,000.00
Note of the Town of New Haven for.....	5,000.00
One hundred shares of the capital stock of the Merchant's National Bank, New Haven, par	5,000.00
Six hundred shares of the capital stock of the New Haven County National Bank.....	6,000.00
Seventeen shares of the capital stock of the Yale National Bank, par..	1,700.00
Six shares of the capital stock of the Second National Bank, par	600.00

(Signed)

DANIEL TROWBRIDGE,
HENRY D. WHITE.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS.

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 19, 1885.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :

GENTLEMEN : In accordance with custom, the Board of Visitors herewith submits its annual report on those matters over which it has supervision.

Visits have been made by members of the board with considerable regularity through every month of the year, and all parts of the hospital, with its adjacent buildings and grounds, have been minutely inspected from time to time and at different hours of the day. Inquiry has been made of patients with regard to their food and care, and every means at our disposal has been taken to learn the actual condition of the premises and the treatment which its inmates have received.

It is a pleasure to be able to say that we are satisfied from our inspection that the hospital is performing the work for which it was established in a way as efficient as possible with the means at its disposal.

We note with satisfaction that the two measures recommended in the last annual report of this board have been carried out. The hospital superintendent has been appointed a special constable, so giving him what authority was before lacking to deal with unruly patients, and the paint-shop, formerly in the main building, has been removed from it, thus lessening materially the risk from fire.

The suggestions of the visitors with regard to minor matters requiring attention have been promptly carried out by the superintendent.

So far as has been observed by the board and learned from the uniform testimony of the patients, the nurses have been most efficient and kindly in their offices for the sick, and we regard the training school and the services of its pupils as invaluable, believing that in no other way could the hospital secure such suitable care for the unfortunates committed to it.

The visiting board desires to recommend :

First, That the hospital be provided with hand-grenades and fire-extinguishers, and also with stand-pipes and hose attached on each floor, to lessen to the utmost the fire risk.

Second, That the refrigerator room, which is quite too small for the needs of the hospital during the summer months, be considerably enlarged.

All which is respectfully submitted.

C. B. BOWERS, Chairman,
MAX ADLER,
E. W. BARCOCK,
PATRICK MAHER,
C. W. PARK,
E. H. JENKINS, Secretary.

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LADY VISITORS.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :

GENTLEMEN : The Board of Lady Visitors have, during the past year, continued to hold monthly meetings on the first Wednesday in each month, at which the reports of the visitors for the month are read and the affairs of the hospital discussed. Not a single week during the past year has elapsed without some member of our board visiting the hospital, and usually as many as four, or more, visits a week are made. We therefore feel that we can speak with some little authority when we say that, in our opinion, the management of the hospital deserves the entire confidence of the public.

It gives us pleasure to be able to testify to the faithful discharge by Mr. Starkweather of the duties of his office, and we believe, also, that he takes a kindly interest in the welfare of each patient. Mrs. Wise, the housekeeper, is most economical and efficient. As for the head nurse, Miss Creemer, and the nurses under her, we cannot speak too highly of them. Their unwearied patience ; their cheerfulness ; their devotion to their work, has again and again aroused our admiration. Not only do

they minister to bodily ailments, but their softening, refining, cheering influence has touched and elevated many a hardened man, has soothed and brightened many a weary soul. Some of the patients seem never to have known what disinterested kindness was until they came to the hospital, and it is touching indeed to hear their simple gratitude.

The pains taken to make Thanksgiving and Christmas bright spots in their lives is not wasted, and if those who so generously give the means to provide for their entertainment on these days could see the pleasure they give, they would be a hundred times rewarded.

We cannot close this report without some mention of the kind and skillful physicians and surgeons who give so much of their valuable time and best thought to the healing of these poor suffering ones. It is a Christ-like work. May He reward them for it!

We could earnestly wish that during the coming year some place might be provided for women suffering from nervous diseases and needing greater quiet than it is possible for them to have in the wards where they are at present. If the public only knew how much the hospital is cramped for want of means to make desired improvements, we think they would give more liberally, and we can assure them that such money would be most carefully and judiciously expended.

Very respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

MARY T. EVERIT, Chairman.

MAY R. J. DuBois,

Secretary for the Board of Lady Visitors.

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

1. Applications for the admission of patients should be accompanied by a certificate from some respectable physician, stating the nature and probable duration of the disease, and should be addressed to the Superintendent of the Hospital, New Haven, Conn. In accordance with the regulations of the hospital, the superintendent, as the representative of the prudential committee, arranges the terms of admission according to the circumstances of the case and the accommodation required.

2. The nursing is performed by the Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

3. The ordinary charge per week for accommodation in the wards is \$6.00, which includes medical and surgical attendance, together with medicine, nursing and washing.

4. Private rooms are furnished at \$12.00 or more per week according to the requirements of the case.

5. Persons partly supported by the towns in which they reside and partly by the State appropriation, are admitted on an order from the town authorities. Town patients are received at \$4.00 per week, the remainder is paid out of the State appropriation.

6. Soldiers enrolled on the State quota in the late war, or in the quotas of other States if residents of Connecticut at the time of enlistment, and now residents, are admitted as State patients, to receive treatment for wounds or disability, under the Acts of the General Assembly of 1878, 1882 and 1884.

7. Sailors whose support is provided for from the marine hospital fund are admitted on the order of the collector of the port of New Haven.

8. Persons carried directly to the hospital from the place of an accident are admitted immediately.

9. A written history of the case should be sent with the patient.

10. *Insane persons* and those suffering from *contagious diseases* are not admitted.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.,

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In consideration of the admission of of into the Institution of the "General Hospital Society of Connecticut," at New Haven, I engage to provide, or pay for, a sufficiency of clothing for use, and pay to the treasurer of said institution dollars per week for board, medicine and medical attendance; and to cause said patient to be removed when discharged, without expense to said institution, and, in the event of death, to pay the expense of burial.

Principal.

For value received, I hereby engage to become responsible for the fulfillment of the above stipulations

Surety.

APPENDIX.

CONNECTICUT TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

The Training School for nurses has been established for eleven years. At first the number of pupils was limited to six ; within two years it was increased to eleven, then to fourteen, and these not being sufficient to meet the many demands for special and continuous attention which critical cases required, the prudential committee raised the number to seventeen in 1880, to nineteen in 1882, and to twenty-three in 1883. In 1884 the number was made to depend upon the number of patients in the Hospital, and averaged during the past year with the head nurse and assistant twenty-nine. The pupils remain in the hospital for one year and pursue their studies and daily routine of work under the superintendence of the head nurse. Each nurse is assigned to one ward or department for several weeks, and in the course of a year has studied surgical, medical, and obstetrical nursing, and also the preparation of special dishes suitable for invalids and convalescents. Symptom records are kept which enable the physician to ascertain the varied phases of the disease, since he last saw the patient.

At the close of the year of study the nurse has a vacation of one month, and then returns to take for five months such cases of private practice as shall be assigned to her. Her home is in the hospital, when her services are not called for elsewhere, and the school pays for all the nurses there in excess of the number allowed.

The hospital authorities appreciate most highly the advantages of having this school established here. Those who enter it either have a special gift for nursing or, with a true spirit of self-sacrifice, have devoted themselves to the noble work of ministering to others ; consequently the duties of that department are performed more faithfully and more skillfully than in former years, when it was thought that strength was the only requisite in a nurse.

Those wishing to receive this course of instruction must apply to the secretary of the school, when, if approved by the executive committee, they will be accepted as pupils in the hospital. The candidates must be over twenty-two and under forty years of age, and must present a certificate from a clergyman and physician as to their good moral character and sound health. They will be received for one month on probation and without compensation.

Information concerning the school will be furnished by the president, vice-president, or other members of the executive committee.

Pupils are received from any State.

Applications for admission should be made as early as possible to the Secretary, Mrs. Chas. B. Richards, 43 Elm street, New Haven.

Physicians or others in any part of the State desiring to secure the services of trained nurses for men or women, medical or surgical patients, should apply by telegraph or letter, stating the nature of the case, to the Superintendent of Nursing, New Haven Hospital.

The price per week for the services of a trained nurse is \$12.00, unless two members of the family are ill at the same time, when there will be a slight additional charge. It cannot be too strongly impressed upon the public that it is more economical and safer for the patient to employ a reliable nurse, than to indulge in a natural but misplaced sentiment, which sacrifices the strength of an entire family in the care of one invalid member.

Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

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Secretary.

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NURSES' HOME.

Visiting Committee.

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FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
DIRECTORS
OF THE
GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY
OF
CONNECTICUT.

FOR THE YEAR 1885.

Presented at the Annual Meeting, January 28th, 1886.

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1886.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

Item. I give and bequeath to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, in the City of New Haven, the sum of — dollars, to be paid by my executors, out of my real or personal estate, as soon as the settlement of my affairs will permit, to the treasurer of said institution for the time being, in trust, to be applied by the directors thereof to the humane purposes of said institution.

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1886.

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*Dr. H. A. DuBois,	Mrs. John W. Mansfield,

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Gardner Morse,	Eli Terry, Jr.,
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*Denison Olmstead,	*Isaac Thompson,
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A donation of \$25 constitutes the donor a member for ten years.

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 Hubbard Williams, from December 16, 1878.
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 S. H. Moseley, from January 13, 1878.
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 Isaac Anderson, from January 13, 1878.
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 James M. Hoppin, from January 13, 1878.
 Henry C. Kingsley, from January 13, 1878.
 Henry L. Hotchkiss, from January 30, 1880.
 Wallace B. Fenn, from January 30, 1880.

* Deceased.

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 William A. Ives, from April 13, 1881.
 Thomas Hooker, from January 28, 1882.
 Robert Ogden DuBois, from February 7, 1882.
 William D. Whitney, from January 22, 1883.
 Edward F. Mersick, from January 29, 1883.
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 Mrs. F. B. Dexter, from January 21, 1884.
 Frank E. Beckwith, from January 30, 1884.
 John S. Beach, from January 11, 1885.
 Rev. George H. Griffing, from January 11, 1885.
 Dr. Thomas H. Russell, from January 29, 1885.
 Justus S. Hotchkiss, from January 28, 1886.
 Edward H. Jenkins, from January 28, 1886.

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TREASURERS.

*Dr. John Skinner,	-	1827-1832
Amos Townsend,	.	1832-1864
Alex. McAlister,		1864-1865
J. A. Bishop,		1865-1877
Wilbur F. Day,		1877-1879
Leonard S. Hotchkiss,	-	1879-

SECRETARIES.

*Charles Hooker, M.D.,	-	1827-1830
*N. Beers Ives, M.D.,	-	1830-1835
*Virgil M. Dow, M.D.,		1835-1840
E. H. Bishop, M.D.,		1840-1844
*P. A. Jewett, M.D.,	-	1844-1864
S. G. Hubbard, M.D.,		1864-1865
C. A. Lindsley, M.D.,	-	1865-1879
F. L. Dibble, M.D.,	-	1879-1880
T. H. Bishop, M.D.,	-	1880-

FREE BEDS IN PERPETUITY.

A donation of \$5,000 entitles the donor, his heirs and assigns, to nominate patients to a free bed in perpetuity.

A donation of \$2,500 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed, in perpetuity, *for six months in each year*, or to nominate patients to a free bed during the life of the donor.

A donation of \$1,000 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed for any three months in each year during his life.

FREE BED FUND.

1874—Henry Farnam,	\$5,000
1874—Wm. Fitch,	5,000
1874—James E. English,	5,000
1878—Ellen M. Gifford,	5,000
1881-83—Henry Bronson,	10,000
1883—The Thanksgiving Free Bed,	5,000
1883—The Rose A. Porter Free Bed,	1,000
1885—The Henry Hotchkiss Memorial Free Bed,	5,000
1886—The Dwight Place Society Free Bed,	2,500

PERMANENT FUND.

1877—Irene Larned,	\$5,000
1878—Nelson A. Hotchkiss,	5,000
1885—Mary A. Miller,	1,000

* Deceased.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The board of directors has the honor to present herewith to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut its fifty-ninth annual report as prepared by the prudential committee :

The past year has been remarkable chiefly for an interruption of the continuous increase in the number of patients which we had occasion to notice from 1879 down to 1884. The average number of patients in the hospital for those years has been as follows :

<i>1879</i>	<i>1880</i>	<i>1881</i>	<i>1882</i>	<i>1883</i>	<i>1884</i>	<i>1885</i>
67 $\frac{1}{2}$	81 $\frac{1}{2}$	89	106 $\frac{1}{2}$	112	115.7	105.2

The average has thus fallen slightly below what it was in 1882. The total number of patients under treatment, however, has been very nearly as large as it was in 1884, it having been in that year 873, and 862 in 1885 ; and the average number of weeks occupied by each patient in the hospital has been less. The average time spent in the hospital by each patient for the past six years has been as follows :

<i>1880</i>	<i>1881</i>	<i>1882</i>	<i>1883</i>	<i>1884</i>	<i>1885</i>
8.2	7.1	7.8	7.2	6.8	6.3

These figures indicate a considerable and steady increase in the activity of the hospital. The severity of the service during the past year is shown still more strikingly in the number of surgical cases treated, which was 389 in 1884, and 418 in 1885, while the number of surgical operations was 98 in 1884, and 125 in 1885. The medical cases naturally showed a corresponding falling off, the number in 1884 having been 426, and 390 in 1885.

This very remarkable increase in the work of the hospital in spite of the falling off in the number of patients, we attribute largely to the opening of the Bridgeport Hospital as well as to the continued use of the Soldiers' Home at Noroton. We are constantly sending patients to both institutions, and as those that we send are usually chronic cases, or cases requiring little treatment, the natural result is a constant increase in the proportion of acute and severe cases in the hospital.

This fact is also one of the chief causes of the unfavorable financial outcome of the year. Our total current receipts for the year have been \$32,130.06 ; our current expenditures, exclusive of special improvements, were \$40,879.33, making a deficit of \$8,749.23. This remarkably unfavorable showing can be explained only by a careful study of the figures. It will be noticed that our current receipts are nearly four thousand dollars less than they were last year, while our current expenses were more than one thousand dollars greater. The falling off in receipts is, of course, due to the diminution in the number of patients. This fall and its distribution over the different classes shows itself in the following table :

Change in the number of weeks occupied by the different classes of patients during 1885 as compared with 1884.

Marine patients,	— 9.6%	Self-paying patients,	— 18.1%
State soldier patients,	— 26.4%	Free bed patients,	— 7%
Town patients,	+ 4.5%	Charity patients,	— 35.5%

It will be noticed here that the class of patients which pay the least, i. e., the town patients, has increased somewhat, while both the soldier patients and the self-paying patients have fallen off. The average earnings per patient, including the State appropriation of five thousand dollars, have consequently been somewhat less than they were in 1884, the earnings in that year having been \$5.77 and in 1885, \$5.75. This fall would have been greater were it not for the fact that we had an unusually profitable class of self-paying patients, the earnings per week from these patients averaging \$6.75 in 1884 and \$7.08 in 1885. But while our earnings have fallen off, it has not been possible to diminish our expenses in the same ratio. The fall in the number of patients was sudden and unexpected, and we have no reason to believe that it will be permanent. We cannot therefore run the risk of crippling the service in order to make a temporary economy. This is particularly true with regard to the number of attendants and nurses required to perform the service. We must be prepared at all times for an emergency. The consequence is that we have had a much larger number of attendants and nurses in proportion to the number of patients than in the previous year, the number in 1884 having been 70.2 with an average of 115.7 patients, while in 1885 it was 76 with an average of 105.2 patients. Many of our items of expense have increased not only relatively but absolutely, and the average cost of maintaining patients, which was \$6.43 per week in 1884, has risen to \$7.32 in 1885.

The increase in the various items per patient shows itself in the following table :

	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885
Food,	\$3.18	\$3.40	\$2.90	\$2.98	\$3.38
Furniture, bedding and current repairs,	.27	.40	.29	.45	.56
All other items except extra- ordinary improvements,	2.91	2.89	2.89	3.00	3.38
Total,	\$6.37	\$6.70	\$6.08	\$6.43	\$7.32

It should be remembered that the outlay for food does not represent the outlay per inmate but per patient. The average cost of food per inmate per day has increased from 27.6 cents in 1884 to 28 $\frac{2}{3}$ cents in 1885, or by about one cent.

To go into more detail, we find that, while there has been a fall in the consumption of liquors and beer, and in the outlay for surgical instruments, there has been a very decided increase in the outlay for medicines, surgical dressings, and salaries and wages. The principal increase in the number of attendants has been due to the increase in the number of nurses, the average number at the hospital during the past year having been 34 $\frac{1}{4}$, while during the year 1884 it was 29+.

The loss of the hospital during the past year has, as usual, been attributable in the main to two classes of patients—the town patients and the soldier patients, both of whom are received at a rate considerably less than cost. Our gross loss upon the soldier patients during the past year has been \$1,789.06, while our loss on town patients, allowing for the appropriation of five thousand dollars, has been \$4,533.71. It would be difficult to obtain any change in the rates charged for town patients, but it does seem reasonable that the State should pay for its soldier patients a sum at least approximating the cost of maintaining them. The rate at present paid for such patients is \$5.50 a week. During the past year an application was made to the Soldiers' Hospital Board, which has control of such matters, asking them to increase the rate, and we were assured of the concurrence of the Hartford and Bridgeport hospitals in this request. Owing to an oversight, however, our application was not acted upon in time to obtain the necessary appropriation from the legislature, and consequently was laid over until the present session. We intend to renew our application this year in conjunction with the other two hospitals interested, and we have good reason to hope that it will be acted

upon favorably and that one cause of loss to the hospital may thus be partially checked.

Among the improvements made upon the hospital grounds during the past year, two are especially prominent, the addition to the nurses' dormitory, which was erected by the Training School during the summer, and the superintendent's house, which is still in process of construction. Both were authorized by votes of the Society passed at special meetings. It is expected that the new superintendent's house will greatly facilitate the administration of the hospital, as it will enable us to use for such purposes the rooms at present occupied by him. At the same time, if it should ever be necessary to extend the hospital by building wings at the northern extremity corresponding to those at the south, there will be no difficulty in arranging for an approach to such an addition through the corridor, which, as long as the superintendent occupies his present quarters, is necessarily closed. The building of this new house, therefore, seems a necessary preliminary to any extension of the hospital.

Among the minor improvements may be mentioned the rebuilding of the back steps, and the enlargement of the refrigerator.

The new system of ventilation, which was described at length in our last annual report, and which was put into operation a year ago, has worked on the whole satisfactorily, and it is gratifying to be able to state that we have thus far this winter not had a single case of erysipelas in the hospital. This freedom from that disease which troubled us so much a year ago we attribute to the improved ventilation.

We have received during the past year several important gifts and legacies. The Misses Hotchkiss have generously contributed five thousand dollars to endow a free bed, and a legacy of one thousand dollars from the late Mrs. Mary Ann Miller was paid to us during the summer. The late W. O. Armstrong also made a legacy of five thousand dollars which has not yet been paid, but which probably will be during the year. Finally, on Hospital Sunday of this year a check for twenty-five hundred dollars was put into the contribution box of the Dwight Place Church for the purpose of founding a free bed for that church, and though the generous donor of this sum does not wish his name to be mentioned, we feel justified in saying that, were we at liberty to publish it, this proof of interest in the hospital would but add to your

appreciation of the kindness of one whose name is not unfamiliar in connection with such gifts.

In conclusion we wish to thank the two boards of visitors for their faithful and systematic attention to their duties, and for the valuable suggestions which we have received from them from time to time. The kind friends who contributed towards the Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, and who gave the patients so much pleasure by means of the Christmas tree and entertainment, have our heartiest thanks. We are also indebted to the clergymen who have conducted services in the chapel, and to the many benefactors who have helped in various ways during the year.

We take pleasure in testifying to our continued confidence in the ability and fidelity of the superintendent and his staff, and to the efficiency of the officers and nurses of the Training School in their exacting and responsible duties.

Respectfully submitted by

HENRY W. FARNAM,
W. H. CARMALT,
THOMAS HOOKER,

Prudential Committee.

NEW HAVEN, January 28, 1886.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL BOARD.

To the Board of Directors of the New Haven Hospital :

GENTLEMEN—I enclose the medical and surgical statistics of the hospital for the year 1885.

These the Medical Board presents as its report for the year.

Respectfully,

SAMUEL D. GILBERT, M.D.,

Secretary Medical Board.

MEDICAL CASES TREATED IN THE HOSPITAL IN 1885.

Alcoholism, acute	13	Constipation, chronic	1
“ “ and gastro-enteritis	1	Debility, general	5
“ chronic	1	“ nervous	1
Anæmia	3	Degeneration of heart, fatty	1
pernicious	1	Delirium tremens	1
Aneurism, thoracic	2	Dementia paralytica	1
Aortic regurgitation	3	Diarrhœa, chronic	1
“ and stenosis	1	Dysentery, acute	3
“ and enlargement		“ “ and cystitis	1
of liver	1	Dyspepsia	3
Apoplexy, cerebral	2	Embolism, cerebral	1
Arthritis	1	Endocarditis and cystitis	1
“ rheumatoid	2	Enteritis, acute	3
Asphyxia	1	“ “ and cystitis	1
Asthma	3	“ chronic	1
“ and chronic rheumatism	1	“ “ and chronic rheu-	
Ataxia, locomotor	2	matism	1
Bronchitis, acute	5	Epilepsy	3
“ sub-acute	2	Fever, intermittent	16
“ chronic	2	“ puerperal	2
Carcinoma of stomach	1	“ remittent	2
Chorea	1	“ simple	2
Cirrhosis of liver	7	“ typhoid	11
“ “ and acute diffuse		“ “ and pneumonitis	1
nephritis	1	Gastralgia	1

Gastritis, acute	1	Osteo-malacia	1
“ sub-acute	7	Paralysis agitans	1
“ chronic	2	Paralysis, laryngeal, diphtheritic	1
Gastro-enteritis, acute	4	“ and imbecility	1
“ chronic	1	Paraplegia	3
Gout, acute	1	Pericarditis and acute articular rheu-	
Hemiplegia	8	matism	1
Hemorrhage, cerebral	1	Peritonitis, acute	1
“ intestinal	2	Phthisis, acute	8
“ pulmonary	1	“ fibroid	4
Hyperæmia, spinal	1	“ tubercular	45
Hysteria	2	Pleuritis, acute	1
“ and paralysis of 3d nerve ..	1	“ sub-acute	1
Imbecility	3	“ chronic	1
Insolation	1	Pleuro-pneumonitis	1
“ and inanition	1	Pneumonitis	14
Lumbago	3	Poliomyelitis, anterior	1
Malarial cachexia	8	Pregnancy	10
Malingery	7	“ and acute articular rheu-	
Melancholia	1	matism	1
Meningitis, acute	1	“ and puerperal fever	1
“ “ and acute nephritis ..	1	Pseudo-leucocythæmia	2
Mitral regurgitation	1	Rachalgia	1
“ “ and acute alco-		Rheumatism, acute articular	7
holism	1	“ sub-acute articular	26
“ “ and aortic regur-		“ “ “ and	
gitation	5	intermittent fever ..	1
“ “ and chronic rheu-		“ chronic articular	18
matism	1	Rubeola	2
Myalgia	3	Saturnismus	5
Myelitis of colon	1	Sciatica	3
Nephritis, acute diffuse	3	Scuility	2
“ “ “ and aortic re-		Spermatorrhœa	1
gurgitation	1	Tænia	1
“ chronic diffuse	11	Tonsillitis, acute	2
“ “ vesical paralysis ..	1	Typhlitis	1
Neuralgia, intercostal	3	Ulcer, gastric	1
Neurasthénia	2	Vesical irritability	2
Opium habit	1		
“ poisoning	3	Total	390

NUMBER OF BIRTHS.

February	2	September	1
April	1	October	1
July	2	November	1
August	1	December	3
Total			12

SURGICAL CASES TREATED AT THE HOSPITAL IN 1885.

Ablation of scalp and ear (complete),	1	Ectropion	1
Abrasions of penis	1	Eczema	4
Abscesses of abdominal wall	1	Elephantiasis	2
arm	2	Empyæma	2
back	1	Epididymitis	2
face	5	Fistula in ano	7
foot	1	frontal sinus	1
gluteal region	1	Foreign body in eye	1
leg	1	hand	1
neck	2	Fractures of clavicle	3
palm	4	Colles's	1
psoas	1	femur	3
thigh	1	patella (comp.) and fibula ..	1
Aneurism, femoral	2	" neck of	5
popliteal	1	humerus	4
Bed-sores	1	" compound	3
Bubo	5	" and ribs	1
Burns	5	" comp. (right) and sim-	
Calculus, vesical	5	ple (left)	1
Caries of wrist	1	" compound and leg	1
Cataract	3	uose, compound	2
Cellulitis of leg	1	patella	3
Chancroid and bubo	4	" compound	1
Crush of arm	2	pelvis and ribs	1
fingers	6	Pott's	3
hand	2	radius, compound	1
leg	1	" and ulna	1
thighs	1	" " " compound (right)	
toe	1	and Colles's (left)	1
Cleft palate	1	ribs and sternum	1
Concussion, cerebral	3	sacro-iliac synchondrosis	1
spinal	1	scapula, compound	1
Conjunctivitis	2	skull, base of	2
Contractions, cicatricial	3	" " and os frontis	1
Contusions of abdomen	1	" " femur, tibia and	
ankle	4	fibula compound	1
back	2	" compound	1
" and hip	1	" " ribs and sternum ..	1
hip	2	" " and leg	1
shoulder	1	superior maxilla	1
Cystitis	7	tibia and fibula	7
Dislocations of radius	2	" " " compound	8
" and ulna	1	vertebral spines, sternum & ribs,	
shoulder	2	Frost bites of feet	1
Detached retina	1	fingers	2

Gangrene, senile, of toes.....	1	Pyelitis.....	1
traumatic, arm.....	1	Sprains of ankle.....	4
" feet and hands.....	1	wrist.....	1
" fingers.....	1	Stricture of œsophagus.....	1
" foot.....	1	rectum.....	1
Glaucoma.....	1	urethra.....	3
Gleet.....	1	" and urinary fistulæ.....	4
Gonorrhœa.....	9	Synovitis of ankle.....	1
Granular lids.....	1	knee.....	3
Hare-lip.....	1	Syphilis.....	16
Hemorrhoids.....	2	Tetanus.....	1
Hernia, abdominal.....	2	Torti-collis.....	1
inguinal, reducible.....	3	Tumors, adenoma of axilla.....	1
" strangulated.....	1	carcinoma of axillary glands.....	1
iris.....	1	" breast.....	7
Hydrocele.....	4	" lip.....	4
Infiltration of retina.....	1	" nook and tongue.....	1
Iritis.....	3	" nose.....	1
Keratitis.....	5	" penis.....	1
Ligamentous union of femur.....	1	" rectum.....	1
Melon-seed bodies in wrist.....	1	" submaxillary gland.....	3
Morbus coxarius.....	12	cysts of ovary.....	3
Necrosis of fascia lata.....	1	" kidney.....	1
femur.....	2	gumma of testicle.....	1
humerus.....	2	lipoma of back.....	1
" and femur.....	1	" hip.....	1
maxilla, inferior.....	4	" mons veneris and	
pelvis.....	2	labium.....	1
sacro-iliac synchondrosis.....	1	naevus of scalp.....	1
scapula.....	1	sarcoma of back.....	1
sternum.....	2	" log.....	1
tarsus.....	1	" thigh.....	1
tibia.....	1	Ulcers of arm.....	1
Neuralgia of stump.....	2	back, (syphilitic).....	1
Optic nerve, atrophy of.....	1	cornea.....	3
Otorrhœa.....	1	foot.....	1
Panophthalmitis.....	1	haud.....	1
Periostitis, inferior maxilla.....	1	leg, indolent.....	7
Poisoning, nitric acid.....	1	" inflamed.....	2
Popliteal bursa (distended).....	1	" syphilitic.....	3
Pott's disease.....	6	" tuberculous.....	1
" " and inguinal hernia.....	1	leg, varicose.....	3
Pregnancy, extra-uterine.....	1	stump.....	3
Prostate, enlarged.....	1	toe.....	1
Pruritus ani.....	1	Varicocele.....	1
Psoriasis.....	4	Varicose veins of leg.....	1
Pterygium.....	1	Veneral warts.....	2
Pyæmia.....	2	Vicious union of tibia and fibula.....	1

Whitlow	4	Wounds, lacerated, of arm	2
Wounds, gun-shot, of face and hand	1	“ cornea	2
“ hand	1	“ fingers	3
“ leg	1	“ foot	3
incised, of chest and abdomen	1	“ hand	2
“ chest and delirium tre-		“ knee	1
mens	1	“ scalp	8
“ forehead	1	“ thigh	1
“ neck	1	“ wrist	1
“ wrist	1	Total	418

SURGICAL OPERATIONS IN 1885.

Amputations of arm	4	Excision of melon-seed bodies in	
“ “ breast	6	wrist	1
“ “ fingers	8	“ “ nævus of scalp	1
“ “ hip-joint	1	“ “ ribs	1
“ “ leg	1	“ “ sarcoma of back	1
“ “ penis	1	“ “ “ “ leg	1
“ “ thigh	4	Hare-lip	1
“ “ “ and arm	1	Herniotomy	1
“ “ thumb	1	Incisions, exploratory about hip-joint,	3
“ “ toes	7	Iridectomy	12
Canthoplasty	1	Ligation of hemorrhoids	1
Castration	1	Ligation of spermatic veins	1
Cataract, extraction of	2	Litholapaxy	5
“ discission of	1	Lithotrity	1
Circumcision	2	Ovariectomy	4
Dilatation of sphincter ani	1	Plastic for cicatricial contractions ..	2
Division of anal fistulæ	6	“ “ fistula of frontal sinus ..	1
“ “ sinuses of shoulder	1	Refracture of tibia and fibula	1
“ “ “ “ thigh	1	Resection of elbow-joint	1
Divulsion of urethral stricture	1	“ “ sternum and ribs	1
Enucleation of eye-ball	4	Sequestrotomy of humerus	2
“ “ carcinomatous axil-		“ “ femur	7
lary glands	1	“ “ inferior maxilla ..	3
“ “ carcinomatous aub-		“ “ pubis	1
maxillary glands	4	“ “ radius	2
Excision of carcinoma of lip	1	“ “ scapula	1
“ “ head of humerus	1	“ “ tibia	1
“ “ hip-joint	2	Trephining skull	1
“ “ keloid of chest	1		
“ “ lipoma of back	1	Total	125

GYNÆCOLOGICAL CASES TREATED IN THE HOSPITAL IN 1885.

Abortion	4	Hæmatocele, pelvic	1
Abscess, pelvic	2	Lacerated cervix	4
“ of labia majora	1	“ perineum	4
Anteversion	2	“ “ recto-vaginal fis-	
Carcinoma uteri	6	tula, and strictured rectum ..	1
“ “ and sub-acute pelvic		Prolapsus uteri	9
peritonitis	6	Retroflexion	3
Dysmenorrhœa	1	Retroversion	5
Endometritis, chronic	4		
Fibroma uteri	4	Total	51
Fistula, utero-vesical	1		

GYNÆCOLOGICAL OPERATIONS IN THE HOSPITAL IN 1885.

Closure of recto-vaginal fistula	2
“ utero-vesical “	1
Perineorrhaphy	2
Trachelorrhaphy	3
Total	8

Prepared by

W. S. RANDALL, M.D., *Assistant.*

CAUSES OF DEATH.

Abscess, pelvic	1	Cystitis and chronic diffuse nephritis ..	1
Anæmia, pernicious	1	Delirium tremens	3
Aortic regurgitation and cardiac di-		Diarrhœa, chronic	1
latation	2	Dysentery, acute	3
Aortic regurgitation and chronic dif-		Fever, puerperal	1
fuse nephritis	1	Fracture of base of cranium	2
Apoplexy	3	“ “ femur (comp.) tibia	
Asphyxia	1	and fibula	1
Ataxia locomotor	1	“ pelvis and ribs	1
Bed sores	1	“ skull (comp.) ribs and	
Burns	2	sternum	1
Carcinoma of breast	1	Gangrene of arm	1
“ neck and tongue	1	“ leg	2
“ rectum	1	“ senile	1
“ stomach	2	Hemorrhage, intestinal	1
“ uterus	3	“ post-partum	1
Cirrhosis of liver and acute nephritis	2	Meningitis, acute	1
Cyst, ovarian	1	Morbus coxarius	3

Nephritis, chronic diffuse	7	Pneumonitis	9
“ “ “ from ne-		Poisoning, nitric acid	1
crosis of femur	1	“ opium	1
“ chronic diffuse, from ne-		Pyæmia	1
crosis of pubis	1	Shock	8
Osteo-malacia	1	Senility	3
Phthisis	24		—
Pleuro-pneumonitis	1	Total	106

Seven of the above died within twelve hours, five within twenty-four, and seven within forty-eight hours after admission.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., JAN. 20, 1886.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :

GENTLEMEN :—I herewith respectfully submit the fifty-ninth annual report of receipts and disbursements, number of patients in hospital, and other items of information.

The number of patients remaining in the hospital, December 31st, 1884, was 124—87 males and 37 females; admitted during the year 1885, 738—522 males, 216 females; making a total of 862 under treatment—609 males, 253 females. Of this number 360 were discharged cured, 222 improved, 63 unimproved, 106 died, and 111 remained under treatment, December 31st, 1885. There were 11 births, 7 males, 4 females; also one still birth.

The whole number of weeks occupied was 5,485 $\frac{3}{4}$, of which 3,971 $\frac{1}{2}$ were occupied by charity patients, or those not paying full rates.

The patients admitted came from 78 different towns and villages in this State and 16 other States or countries; 396 were residents of New Haven.

The greatest number of patients any one day was 121; the lowest 82; the daily average 105 $\frac{1}{5}$. The attendants and other inmates averaged 76, making a total of 181 $\frac{1}{5}$.

The current receipts, less amount refunded to patients, were \$32,130.06; the current expenses were \$40,879.33; excess of expenses over receipts, \$8,749.27.

The average cost of supporting each patient was \$7.32 $\frac{3}{4}$ per week.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

THE SUPERINTENDENT, in account with GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

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1885. To amounts received :

From balance,	-	\$749.44
U. S. Marine patients,	-	1,861.00
State soldier patients,	-	5,419.05
Town patients,	-	11,554.40
Self-paying patients,	-	7,726.09
State appropriation,	-	5,000.00
Board, -	-	684.33
Sales,	-	398.71
Sundries,	-	29.50

\$33,362.52

Orders on Treasurer, General account,

38,279.80

“ Special Improvements,

5,053.54

\$76,695.86

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1885. By amounts expended :

For Flour, 4,171 pounds,	-	-	\$124.50
Meal and Rice, 3,805 pounds,	-	-	141.23
Bread and Crackers, 29,664 pounds,	-	-	1,033.03
Cake,	-	-	182.67
Butter, 6991½ pounds,	-	-	1,736.45
Cheese, 455½ pounds,	-	-	56.47
Meat, 56,533 pounds,	-	-	6,672.16
Poultry, 5,974½ pounds,	-	-	1,094.17
Fish, 10,405 pounds, oysters, 141 gals.,	-	-	1,122.61
Vegetables and fruit,	-	-	1,285.64
Eggs, 4,302 dozen,	-	-	1,074.28
Groceries,	-	-	1,379.56
Milk, 68,316 quarts,	-	-	3,072.12
Ice, 181,345 pounds,	-	-	284.52
Liquors, -	-	-	303.72
Ale and Beer,	-	-	158.67
Medicines,	-	-	1,861.66
Instruments,	-	-	455.94
Surgical Dressings,	-	-	917.38
Fuel, -	-	-	2,869.07
Gas, 618,400 feet,	-	-	1,151.46
Water,	-	-	170.00
Furniture and crockery,	-	-	336.16
Cloths and bedding,	-	-	502.27
Repairs and improvements,	-	-	2,244.65
Postage, printing and stationery,	-	-	412.93
Barn and farm expenses,	-	-	513.31
Tools,	-	-	9.61
Salaries and wages,	-	-	8,705.81
Potash and soap,	-	-	251.76
Insurance,	-	-	103.12
Sundries,	-	-	652.40
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Special improvements (ventilation),	-	-	\$40,879.33
Superintendent's house,	-	-	5,053.54
Refunded to patients,	-	-	1,400 00
Deposited with treasurer,	-	-	483.02
Balance, -	-	-	28,845.23
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			34.74
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			\$76,695.86
Total current hospital expenses,	-	\$40,879.33	
Less board of superintendent's family,	-	684.33	
		<hr/>	\$40,195.00
Number of weeks of hospital care, 5,485¾.			
Cost per week per patient, -		7.32¾	
Total cost of food, -		18,974.89	
Average daily number of inmates, 181½.			
Cost of food per day per inmate,		28½ c.	

Respectfully,

JOHN H. STARKWEATHER,

Superintendent.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Remaining in hospital, Dec. 31, 1884.....	87	37	124
Admitted during 1885	522	216	738
Total	609	253	862
Of this number there have been discharged—			
Cured	260	100	360
Improved	166	56	222
Unimproved.....	37	26	63
Died	66	40	106
	529	222	751
Remaining under treatment, Dec. 31, 1885.....	80	31	111
Total	609	253	862

MONTHLY ADMISSIONS.

From January 1, 1885, to December 31, 1885.

	Males.	Females	Total.
January	37	10	47
February	27	19	46
March	49	18	67
April	39	23	62
May.....	49	16	65
June	42	19	61
July.....	35	19	54
August	53	15	68
September	45	18	63
October	43	24	67
November	52	14	66
December	61	21	72
Total	522	216	738

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

Australia	1	Germany	68	Poland	1
Belgium	2	Hungary	2	Russia	5
Bohemia	1	Ireland.....	172	Sweden	15
Canada	7	Italy	11	South America	1
Denmark	3	Madeira Islands ...	1	Scotland	9
England.....	31	New Brunswick....	1	United States	386
Finland	4	Nova Scotia	4	Wales	1
France	1	Norway	2	Unknown	9

AGE AT TIME OF ADMISSION.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 15 years.....	25	16	41
From 15 to 20 years.....	38	18	56
“ 20 to 30 “.....	133	65	198
“ 30 to 40 “.....	99	40	139
“ 40 to 50 “.....	106	39	145
“ 50 to 60 “.....	70	18	88
“ 60 to 70 “.....	39	10	49
“ 70 to 80 “.....	11	7	18
“ 80 to 90 “.....	1	3	4
“ 90 to 100 “.....			
Total.....	522	216	738

TIME OCCUPIED BY THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF PATIENTS.

U. S. Marine Patients.....	265 $\frac{6}{7}$ weeks.
State Soldier “.....	983 $\frac{1}{7}$ “
Town “.....	2871 $\frac{1}{7}$ “
Self-paying “.....	1022 $\frac{6}{7}$ “
Free Bed “.....	224 $\frac{6}{7}$ “
Charity “.....	117 $\frac{1}{7}$ “
Total.....	5485 $\frac{3}{7}$ “

REPRESENTATION OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN CONNECTICUT

In the Hospital during the Year ending December 31, 1885.

Allingtown..... 1	Middlefield..... 1	Southbury..... 1
Ansonia..... 25	Middletown..... 7	Southington..... 6
Barkhamsted..... 1	Milford..... 5	South Manchester..... 1
Bethany..... 2	Milton..... 1	South Norwalk..... 1
Birmingham..... 19	Monroe..... 1	South Windham..... 1
Branford..... 5	Mt. Carmel..... 1	Stamford..... 3
Bridgeport..... 1	New Britain..... 2	Suffield..... 1
Cheshire..... 3	New Haven..... 360	Terryville..... 1
Colchester..... 1	New London..... 2	Thomaston..... 2
Danbury..... 3	New Milford..... 2	Torrington..... 7
Derby..... 2	North Branford..... 1	Tyler City..... 5
East Haven..... 1	Northfield..... 1	Union City..... 2
Essex..... 1	Northford..... 1	Unionville..... 2
Fair Haven..... 29	North Haven..... 2	Wallingford..... 11
Greenwich..... 4	Noroton..... 6	Washington..... 1
Guilford..... 2	Norwich..... 1	Waterbury..... 25
Hamden..... 5	Oxford..... 1	Westbrook..... 1
Hartford..... 1	Plantville..... 3	West Haven..... 2
Huntington..... 4	Plymouth..... 1	Westville..... 7
Kensington..... 1	Portland..... 2	West Winsted..... 1
Kent..... 1	Riverton..... 1	Whitneyville..... 1
Ledyard..... 1	Salisbury..... 1	Winchester Center..... 1
Leete's Island..... 2	Saybrook..... 1	Winnipauk..... 1
Madison..... 2	Seymour..... 6	Woodbridge..... 4
Mansfield Depot..... 1	Shorman..... 1	Woodbury..... 1
Meriden..... 28	Shelton..... 1	Woodmont..... 1

OCCUPATION.

Bakers	5	Fishermen	2	Printer	1
Bartenders	3	Fruit Peddler	1	Quarrymen	3
Beer bottlers	2	Gardeners	6	Rubber workers	4
Blacksmiths	9	Grinder	1	Salesmen	2
Box maker	1	Grocers	2	Saloon keeper	1
Brakemen	18	Hack driver	1	Saddler	1
Brass workers	3	Hatters	3	Scamstress	1
Brick maker	1	Harness maker	1	Seamen	62
Brewer	1	Iron worker	1	Servants	26
Britannia workers	2	Janitor	1	Shipping clerk	1
Bolt maker	1	Jeweller	1	Ship rigger	1
Buffers	2	Joiners	2	Shoe makers	5
Burnishers	4	Laborers	100	Silver plater	1
Butcher	1	Landdresses	4	Spinner	1
Cabinet makers	5	Machinists	4	Spoon makers	3
Carpenters	13	Masons	8	Spring maker	1
Carriage makers	4	Match makers	2	Stewards	2
Carriage trimmer	1	Mechanical engineer	1	Stevedore	1
Cigar makers	5	Mechanics	11	Stone mason	1
Clerks	6	Molders	11	Solderer	1
Clergyman	1	Music teacher	1	Tailors	5
Clock makers	2	Newspaper carrier	1	Teachers	2
Cook	1	Nurses	4	Teamsters	8
Corset stitchers	3	Office boy	1	Tinsmith	1
Coachman	1	Oysterman	1	Trackman R. R.	1
Cutter	2	Organ grinder	1	Upholsterer	1
Dressmaker	1	Painters	18	Veterinary Surgeon ..	1
Driver	1	Paper hanger	1	Waiters	2
Druggists	2	Paper maker	1	Waitresses	3
Edge tool grinder	1	Physician	1	Watchman	1
Engineers	2	Peddlers	5	Weaver	1
Farmers	31	Plasterers	2	Wire worker	1
Factory girls	4	Photographer	1	Wire drawer	1
Firemen	2	Polishers	9	Whitewasher	1
Filer	1	Porter	1	Woolen commissioner ..	1

DONATIONS

RECEIVED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR 1885.

Publishers have kindly furnished the hospital with the New Haven Daily Palladium, the New Haven Daily Journal and Courier, the New Haven Daily Register, the New Haven Daily Union, and the New Haven Morning News. Friends have also sent and subscribed for the Independent.

BOOKS, MAGAZINES AND PAPERS.

Mrs. H. T. Blake, Mrs. E. Stevens, Leonard S. Hotchkiss, Mrs. Hotchkiss, Edward A. Manice, Mrs. Chas. Atwater, Mrs. Ann S. Farnam, F. G. Cooper, Mrs. C. W. Allen, Dryden Phelps, John C. Collins, Mrs. Moriarty, Hon. H. B. Harrison, Mrs. Hawkins, J. W. Kinney, Mrs. Horace Fitch, Miss S. M. Day, Thomas Hooker, Mrs. Sherman Smith, Mrs. Philo Babbitt, H. P. Hubbard, Mrs. Edward Bryan, Mrs. L. R. Packard, Rev. Dr. Beardsley, Dr. T. H. Bishop, Rev. R. T. Thorne, Mrs. Henry Stevens, Geo. H. Ford, Mrs. Chas. Bradford, Mrs. Brewer, Mrs. Everit, Mrs. C. H. Stillson, Albert G. Hurlburt, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. John S. Beach, Frank S. Miner, Nellie Chidsey, Genie Tooker, Mrs. Rich, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. C. J. Monson, Miss Hawkins, Miss Sarah Mix, Mrs. John E. Earle, Mr. Robert Peck, Miss Lockwood, Mrs. Allen Seaman, Miss Abbie C. Cone, L. W. Cleaveland, S. R. Hemingway, Mrs. J. Davenport Wheeler, Mrs. Albert Tilton, Miss Winifred French, Mrs. Jane E. Winchester, M. S. Wadham, Mrs. F. A. Beecher, Rev. S. D. Phelps, Rev. Thomas R. Bacon, (72 vol.) Mrs. Barrett, John C. Hollister, A. W. Hooper, H. H. Olds, Mrs. W. C. Robinson, Mrs. J. S. Newberry, Mrs. W. H. Couch, Miss Rachel Chapman, Mrs. Edward Walker (24 vols.), Mrs. A. J. DuBois, Flossie McDermott.

CLOTHING, OLD LINEN AND OLD COTTON.

United Workers, Mrs. Thomas R. Trowbridge, Jr., Home for the Friendless, Mrs. Hotchkiss, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Everit, Mrs. R. T. Thorne, Mrs. Eliza Beach, Mrs. Wilcox, Mrs. Philo Chatfield, Mrs. Wm. Fitch, Mrs. Farnam, Mrs. Bridgman, Mrs. H. B. Harrison, Miss S. V. Hotchkiss, Mrs. R. E. Rice, Mrs. Elias Dickerman, Mrs. Wm. H. Trowbridge, Mrs. B. Healey, Mrs. Joseph Parker, Mrs. E. G. Thompson, Miss A. C. Learned, Rev. C. H. Williams, Mrs. L. R. Packard, Miss Emily Carrington, Mrs. Dr. Thacher, Mrs. Nellie Clark, Mrs. James Ives, Mrs. J. D. Baldwin, Leonard S. Hotchkiss, Mrs. S. E. Burroughs, Dr. Alling,

Mrs. Calhoun, Mrs. H. N. Lyman, Mrs. King, Mrs. J. C. Hollister, Mrs. Hemingway (Watertown), Mrs. Horace P. Hoadley, Mrs. Timothy Cowles, Mrs. John S. Beach, Mrs. Willis Hemingway, Mrs. Little, Mrs. J. F. Griffing, Mrs. Chas. Wheeler, Mrs. J. E. Earle, Mrs. Willard Malory (Baltimore), Miss Harriet Peck, Mrs. Dr. Walker (Milford), Mrs. Rowe, Mrs. Allen Seaman, Miss Bill, Miss Abbie C. Cone, Mrs. William Gunning, Mrs. Prof. Newton, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Chapman, L. J. Hunt, Mrs. Beebe, Mrs. N. R. Tyler, Dr. Atwater, Miss Kennedy, Mrs. F. L. Hunt, Mr. John E. Earle, Gov. H. B. Harrison, Mrs. C. W. Clapp, Miss Bulford, Mrs. H. J. Morton, Mrs. Gustin, Ladies' Aid Society of United Church, 10 packages from unknown friends.

FRUITS AND FLOWERS.

Mrs. Everit, Mrs. Jane E. Winchester, Mrs. Samuel Harris, Mrs. M. F. Sullivan, Miss Butler, Congregational Sunday School (Madison), Mrs. William H. Thomson, Mrs. Samuel Hayes, Mrs. John S. Beach, Miss Mann, Miss Fannie Tilford, Mrs. E. C. Read, Mrs. Allen Seamen, United Workers, Bell Rolling, two gifts from unknown friends.

FOR THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS.

Mrs. Kingsley, toys ; Miss Susie Sanford, toys ; Grace Wheeler, toys ; Edith Deforest, toys and candy ; No. 5 Dwight School, paper dolls and game ; Mrs. Chas. A. Brooks, Christmas cards ; Miss Griffing, grapes and oranges ; Church of the Ascension, oranges ; Mrs. Ann S. Farnam, \$50 ; Dr. G. B. Farnam, \$20 ; Prof. H. W. Farnam, \$10 ; Mrs. Mary P. Armstrong \$10 ; Dr. F. E. Beckwith, \$5 ; Mr. Samuel L. Penfield, \$3 ; Mrs. E. C. Read, 1 doz. chickens ; turkeys from Mrs. Maurice Kingsley, Mrs. R. M. Everit, Miss Lillie T. Parker, Mrs. McKim, Dr. E. H. Bishop, Dr. T. H. Bishop, Robert Morgan, Mrs. Wm. Fitch, Philando Armstrong, Mrs. T. H. Bishop ; Mrs. McKim, \$5 ; Miss Emma L. Holbrook, \$2.

MISCELLANEOUS.

H. C. Kingsley, 1 canopy fly net ; Homer Hemingway, medical appliances ; Dr. S. H. Chapman, one-half can vaseline ; Rev. E. W. Babcock, shoes ; Dr. W. H. Carmalt, 1 vol. Ashurst's Surgery, and hot air bath apparatus ; Mr. Horace Fitch, medical appliances ; Mrs. C. W. Allen, 1 doz. mugs, Mrs. Griffing, games ; Mr. Robert DuBois, 2 canaries ; Mrs. Everit, 2 canary cages ; Mrs. Chas. A. Brooks, Easter flowers and cards ; Children of Goffe Street School, scrap books ; Mrs. Leverich, candy and games.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY COLLECTIONS.

MEMORANDUM OF COLLECTIONS SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, JANUARY 10TH
AND 11TH, 1885, RECEIVED BY L. S. HOTCHKISS, TREASURER.

From William L. Andrews, New York	\$25.00
Edward E. Salisbury	50.00
Rev. George H. Griffin, Milford	25.00
Westville Congregational Church	35.10
First Church, New Haven (Center)	932.33
United Church	224.00
German Lutherau Evangelical Trinity Church	19.00
A Friend	50.00
E. S. Dana	15.00
Mrs. F. B. Dexter	25.00
Humphrey Street Church	70.25
Grace Church	15.30
Davenport	85.00
St. Thomas's Church	134.05
Miss Emily Gerry	200.00
Rev. Haslett McKim, Jr.	100.00
Church of the Messiah	6.61
St. John's Church	31.80
Christ Church Parish	28.30
Trinity Church	728.00
H. A. Newton	5.00
St. James's Church, Westville	8.25
Howard Avenue Congregational Church	18.60
Trinity Mission Chapel	5.40
First Congregational Church, Fair Haven	51.92
Church of the Redeemer	170.00
West Haven Congregational Church	20.00
Christ Church, Guilford	20.62
St. Paul's Church	189.15
Dwight Place Church	13.03
Summerfield M. E. Mission	2.00
Second Congregational Church, Fair Haven	23.42
Congregation Mishkan Israel	141.50
Church of the Ascension	7.75
Rev. Theodore D. Woolsey	10.00
Robert Morgan	5.00
Congregation Beuai Sholom	12.00
Congregational Church, Seymour	15.00
Willis Beuham	10.00
Dr. Thomas H. Russell	25.00
First Baptist Church	53.00
Church of the Sacred Heart	50.00
Trinity Methodist Church	27.10
Dwight Place Church Sunday School	15.02
St. John R. C. Church	63.00
German M. E. Church	5.00
First Congregational Church, North Haven	24.40
First Methodist Church	60.00
Calvary Baptist Church	125.00
College Street Church	18.50

\$3,994.40

TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The General Hospital Society of Connecticut,**In account with* LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, *Treasurer.*

DR.

1885.	To orders of prudential committee paid	\$38,297.18
May 9.	Amount paid for 21 shares Yale National Bank stock	2,373.00
	22. Amount paid for 19 shares Second National Bank stock	2,907.00
Sept. 7.	Amount paid for 8 shares Yale National Bank stock	908.00
	31. Balance to new account (General Account)	2,606.18
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		\$47,091.36

1885.

CR.

Jan. 1.	By balance old account	\$5,675.08
	Collections Hospital Sunday	\$3,994.40
	Donations from Elizabeth S. and Susan V. Hotchkiss for Henry Hotchkiss Memorial Free Bed	5,000.00
	Legacy from Mary Ann Miller estate	1,000.00
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		9,994.40

Interest and dividends as follows:

Mar. 26.	Six months interest to March 15, 1885, on Town of New Haven \$5,000 note	\$125.00
April 4.	Dividend 17 shares Yale National Bank stock	59.50
	20. Dividend 600 shares New Haven County National Bank stock	210.00
May 22.	Six months interest to May 5, 1885, on Town of New Haven \$15,000 note	375.00
June 11.	Six months interest to December 7, 1885, on M. C. and H. W. E. Munson note for \$5,000	125.00
July 2.	Six months interest to July 1, 1885, on City of New Haven bonds	100.00
	Dividend 100 shares Merchants National Bank stock	175.00
	Dividend 25 shares Second National Bank Stock	100.00
Sept. 29.	Six months interest to Sept. 15, 1885, on Town of New Haven \$5,000 note	125.00
Oct. 10.	Dividend 46 shares Yale National Bank stock	161.00
	Dividend 600 shares New Haven County National Bank stock	210.00
Nov. 18.	Six months interest to Nov. 5, 1885, Town of New Haven \$15,000 note	375.00
Dec. 18.	Six months interest to June 7, 1886, on M. C. and H. W. E. Munson \$5,000 note	125.00
	31. Six months interest to Jan. 1, 1886, on City of New Haven bonds	100.00
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		2,365.50
Amounts received from J. H. Starkweather, Supt. . .		29,056.38
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		\$47,091.36

IMPROVEMENT FUND OF HOSPITAL SOCIETY,

With L. S. HOTCHKISS, Treasurer.

1885.	DR.	
	To order to The Bigelow Co.	\$905.83
	T. W. Corbett	1,753.51
	New Haven Felting Co.	121.60
	Chatfield & Grant	929.18
	George Rockwell	122.73
	New Haven Steam Heating Co.	1,115.21
Dec. 31.	Balance account	401.94
		<hr/> \$5,350.00

1885.	CR.	
By donation from Mrs. Ann S. Farnam	\$1,000.00
	Sarah S. Whitney	500.00
	Geo. H. Watrous	25.00
	A Friend	500.00
	Lucy H. Boardman	500.00
	John S. Beach	25.00
	Henry W. Farnam	1,000.00
	A Friend to make Dr. W. H. Carmalt a life director	500.00
	James E. English	500.00
	Miss Mary E. Scranton	500.00
	Simeon E. Baldwin	300.00
		<hr/> \$5,350.00

SECURITIES ON HAND JAN. 1, 1886.

4 bonds of the City of New Haven, par	\$1,000.00
100 shares Merchants National Bank stock, par	5,000.00
600 shares New Haven County National Bank stock, par	6,000.00
46 shares Yale National Bank stock, par	4,600.00
25 shares Second National Bank stock, par	2,500.00
Note Town of New Haven, 5 per cent.	15,000.00
Note Town of New Haven, 5 per cent.	5,000.00
Note Mary C. and H. W. E. Munson (secured by mortgage)	5,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD S. HOTCHKISS, *Treasurer.*

NEW HAVEN, January 1, 1886.

We have examined the within and foregoing account, and have compared the same with the account as entered upon the books of the Treasurer, and have compared the payments thereon made with the vouchers therefor, and find the same correct, and that on the first day of January, 1886, there was a balance of 2,606.18 dollars to the credit of the Treasurer in the New Haven County National Bank. We also find that the Treasurer has in his possession all the securities and property in the foregoing account specified as belonging to the Society.

We also find that on the first day of January, 1886, the Treasurer had to his credit in said bank the further sum of 401.94 dollars, being the balance of money belonging to the "Improvement Fund."

DANIEL TROWBRIDGE, }
HENRY D. WHITE, } *Auditors.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS.

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 25, 1886.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :

GENTLEMEN : The Board of Visitors, according to custom, herewith presents its annual report.

Members of this board have visited and carefully inspected every part of the hospital, which had any connection with the care of the sick, during every month in the year, and have endeavored to become familiar with the management so far as it concerns at all the remedial treatment and comfort of patients. The board has not found in its visits anything calling for serious criticism. Minor suggestions made by members of the board have been promptly carried out. The patients also have almost uniformly expressed themselves as well satisfied with their treatment.

Certain sensational stories with regard to the hospital have from time to time appeared in some of our local papers during the year. The most serious charges were investigated by this board and found to be absolutely false.

The training school we believe provides more intelligent and kindly care of the sick than could be secured by the hospital in any other way.

We notice with satisfaction that hand-grenades, as an additional security against fire, have been provided, and that additional refrigerator room, which was urgently required, has also been supplied, as recommended by this board.

It is our opinion that it is desirable to secure additional store room for provisions, etc., and that the present accident room might be used for this object and a portion of the chapel might be used for an accident room.

Some doubt having arisen in the minds of certain members of this board as to the efficiency of the system of ventilation re-

cently introduced into the hospital, we earnestly commend this to the careful inspection of the Prudential Committee if possible to ascertain whether or not it is worthy of continued use.

All which is respectfully submitted.

C. B. BOWERS,
MAX ADLER,
E. W. BABCOCK,
PATRICK MAHER,
J. O. PECK,
E. H. JENKINS, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LADY VISITORS.

To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :

GENTLEMEN : The Board of Lady Visitors have during the past year continued to hold their monthly meetings, and weekly visits have been made by members of the Board. While some among us have felt that a larger expenditure in the purchase of certain articles would in the end be the truest economy, we are on the whole satisfied that the management of the hospital deserves, and should have, the entire confidence of the public. From our frequent visits to the patients, and our personal observation during these visits, we feel convinced that the patients are well and kindly cared for, and that in these respects this hospital will compare most favorably with those in other cities.

Among other improvements we notice with pleasure that the refrigerator room has been increased—an improvement which was greatly needed.

We also wish to express here our sense of how greatly the hospital is indebted to the training school for most efficient nursing. The gratitude felt by many of the patients towards their nurses is the best proof of the loving spirit in which their work is done. Nor can we close this report without bearing our witness to the faithful and conscientious manner in which the superintendent discharges his many and arduous duties, and his courteous attention to the suggestions which we have from time to time made to him.

Very respectfully submitted,

MARY T. EVERIT, Chairman.

MARY R. J. DuBois, Secretary.

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

1. Applications for the admission of patients should be accompanied by a certificate from some respectable physician, stating the nature and probable duration of the disease, and should be addressed to the Superintendent of the Hospital, New Haven, Conn. In accordance with the regulations of the hospital, the superintendent, as the representative of the prudential committee, arranges the terms of admission according to the circumstances of the case and the accommodation required.

2. The nursing is performed by the Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

3. The ordinary charge per week for accommodation in the wards is \$6.00, which includes medical and surgical attendance, together with medicine, nursing and washing.

4. Private rooms are furnished at \$12.00 or more per week, according to the requirements of the case.

5. Persons partly supported by the towns in which they reside and partly by the State appropriation, are admitted on an order from the town authorities. Town patients are received at \$4.00 per week, the remainder is paid out of the State appropriation.

6. Soldiers enrolled on the State quota in the late war, or in the quotas of other States if residents of Connecticut at the time of enlistment, and now residents, are admitted as State patients, to receive treatment for wounds or disability, under the Acts of the General Assembly of 1878, 1882 and 1884.

7. Sailors whose support is provided for from the marine hospital fund are admitted on the order of the collector of the port of New Haven.

8. Persons carried directly to the hospital from the place of an accident are admitted immediately.

9. A written history of the case should be sent with the patient.

10. *Insane persons* and those suffering from *contagious diseases* are not admitted.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.,

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In consideration of the admission of of into the Institution of the "General Hospital Society of Connecticut," at New Haven, I engage to provide, or pay for, a sufficiency of clothing for use, and pay to the treasurer of said institution dollars per week for board, medicine and medical attendance; and to cause said patient to be removed when discharged, without expense to said institution, and, in the event of death, to pay the expense of burial.

Principal.

For value received, I hereby engage to become responsible for the fulfillment of the above stipulation.

Surety

A P P E N D I X.

CONNECTICUT TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

The Training School for nurses has been established for twelve years. At first the number of pupils was limited to six ; within two years it was increased to eleven, then to fourteen, and these not being sufficient to meet the many demands for special and continuous attention which critical cases required, the prudential committee raised the number to seventeen in 1880, to nineteen in 1882, and to twenty-three in 1883. In 1884 the number was made to depend upon the number of patients in the Hospital, and averaged during the past year with the head nurse and assistant thirty-four and one quarter. The pupils remain in the hospital for one year and pursue their studies and daily routine of work under the superintendence of the head nurse. Each nurse is assigned to one ward or department for several weeks, and in the course of a year has studied surgical, medical, and obstetrical nursing, and also the preparation of special dishes suitable for invalids and convalescents. Symptom records are kept which enable the physician to ascertain the varied phases of the disease, since he last saw the patient.

At the close of the year of study the nurse has a vacation of one month, and then returns to take for six months such cases of private practice as shall be assigned to her. Her home is in the hospital, when her services are not called for elsewhere, and the school pays for all the nurses there in excess of the number allowed.

The hospital authorities appreciate most highly the advantages of having this school established here. Those who enter it either have a special gift for nursing or, with a true spirit of self-sacrifice, have devoted themselves to the noble work of ministering to others ; consequently the duties of that department are performed more faithfully and more skillfully than in former years, when it was thought that strength was the only requisite in a nurse.

Those wishing to receive this course of instruction must apply to the secretary of the school, when, if approved by the executive committee, they will be accepted as pupils in the hospital. The candidates must be over twenty-three and under forty years of age, and must present a certificate from a clergyman and physician as to their good moral character and sound health. They will be received for one month on probation and without compensation.

Information concerning the school will be furnished by the president, vice-president, or other members of the executive committee.

Pupils are received from any State.

Applications for admission should be made as early as possible to the Secretary, Mrs. Chas. B. Richards, 43 Elm street, New Haven.

Physicians or others in any part of the State desiring to secure the services of trained nurses for men or women, medical or surgical patients, should apply by telegraph or letter, stating the nature of the case, to the Superintendent of Nursing, New Haven Hospital.

The price per week for services of a trained nurse is \$12.00, unless two members of the family are ill at the same time, when there will be a slight additional charge. It cannot be too strongly impressed upon the public that it is more economical and safer for the patient to employ a reliable nurse, than to indulge in a natural but misplaced sentiment, which sacrifices the strength of an entire family in the care of one invalid member.

Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

COMMITTEES OF ADMINISTRATION.

President.

Mrs. NOAH PORTER.

Vice-Presidents.

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Mrs. F. J. Kingsbury, Waterbury.	

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THE NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL

AND

ITS RELATIONS WITH THE STATE.

The General Statutes of Connecticut, Title 8, Chapter 5, Section 18. Page 100, provide as follows: "Two thousand dollars shall be annually paid from the treasury to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, and the same sum to the Hartford Hospital, to be expended under the direction of the Governor and the managers of said institutions, respectively, for the support of charity patients and so used as to benefit the different towns as they may, from time to time, make application; a report of which expenditure shall be made annually to the General Assembly."

This statute was revised in 1878 by an act entitled "An Act in amendment of an Act concerning public charitable and reformatory institutions," chapter 112 of the Acts of 1878, which substituted for the sum of Two thousand dollars, the sum of Five thousand dollars. This act was approved March 27, 1878, and is found on page 333 of the official edition of the Acts. To this a further amendment was made in 1884 by an act entitled "An Act amending Acts concerning charitable institutions, and invalid soldiers, sailors, and marines," approved April 4, 1884, and printed as Chapter 97 of the Acts of 1884, on page 376 of the official edition. This Act repeats in Section 1, verbatim, the provisions of the Revised Statutes and of the Act of 1878, but adds the Bridgeport Hospital to the list of those receiving Five thousand dollars a year, and also appropriates Fifteen hundred dollars to the Fitch's Home for soldiers at Darien. Section 2 will be spoken of later.

It will thus be seen that according to the laws of the State the appropriation is made for the express purpose of relieving the towns of a portion of the burden of their own sick poor. In accordance with these provisions, the rate for town patients has been uniformly fixed at four dollars a week (or two dollars less than the amount charged for self-paying patients), and the appropriation is expected to make up our loss.

Let us now see what has been the operation of these acts. In 1880 we lost on an average \$2.55 a week on each town patient, and such patients occupied 2,076 weeks. Thus we lost altogether \$5,293.80 on this class of patients, or only \$293.80 over and above the appropriation. In 1881 the number of weeks occupied by town patients was 2,301, and the loss per week \$2.37, making a total loss of \$5,453.37, or, again, only \$453.37 over and above the appropriation. In 1882 the number of weeks occupied by town patients had increased to 2,407, and as our loss per week that year was \$2.70, our total loss was \$6,499.33, or \$1,499.33 over and above the appropriation. In 1883, the number of weeks occupied by town patients was 2,623 $\frac{1}{2}$; the loss was \$2.50 a week, so that our total loss was \$6,559.50, or \$1,559.50 over and above the appropriation. In 1884 the number of weeks occupied by town patients was 2,746 $\frac{1}{2}$, and as our loss was \$2.43 a week, our total loss was \$6,675.21, or \$1,675.21 over and above the appropriation. Thus it will be seen that during the last five years the appropriation

In 1885 loss on town patients \$4,533.71 over the appropriation

has been from year to year less adequate to the purpose for which it was intended, and the Hospital has been contributing out of its own funds for the support of town patients. The money to make up this deficiency has come partly from the income of the permanent fund, and partly from the voluntary gifts of charitable people; but the recipients of their charities are not the patients themselves, but the various towns, whose treasury is thereby saved an outlay which they otherwise would be obliged to make, while our means for helping real charity patients—i. e., those who have no claim upon a town for support—are crippled. The total loss in five years on town patients has been \$5,481.21. *in 6 years = 10014.92.*

But the Hospital suffers on its State soldier patients even a greater loss than upon its town patients. Under Chapter 133 of the Acts of 1878, page 345 of the official edition it is provided that "all soldiers, sailors, and marines, who served in the Union army or navy in the late Civil War in Connecticut regiments, or in the navy quota from Connecticut, and received an honorable discharge therefrom, who from disease or wounds may need medical care and treatment, shall be entitled to receive such medical care and treatment as may be necessary at the Hartford Hospital or at the Hospital of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut at New Haven, and the expense of such medical care and treatment shall be defrayed by the State." Section 2 provides that soldiers, sailors, and marines, who may be unable to earn a livelihood and have no means of support, shall be entitled to a home at the hospitals mentioned; and section 3 provides that the Soldiers' Hospital Board, consisting of the governor of the State, the adjutant general, and the surgeon general, shall admit and discharge such patients, and fix the sum paid for their medical treatment, care and support. This act was amended in 1882 by chapter 84, of the statutes, page 165, which added Fitch's Home for Soldiers at Darien, to the list of institutions therein mentioned; and again by Chapter 111, page 193, which added the General Hospital for the Insane at Middletown to the list of institutions, and provided for the reception of insane patients in that institution on terms similar to those made for the hospitals. In 1884, these provisions were again amended by chapter 97 of the statutes at large, page 377, which provided for the reception of soldiers, sailors, and marines, who served in regiments or in the navy quota of other States, provided they were residents of this State at the time of enlistment.

It will be noticed that these amendatory statutes make no changes in the relations of the hospital to the State, simply adding other institutions to the list of those originally mentioned in the act of 1878.

When the statute of 1878 first went into effect, the rate fixed by the State Hospital Board and accepted by the hospitals was \$4.50 a week. At that time many of the patients were not very sick, and simply used the hospital as a home, and the expense of caring for them was not as great as that incurred for other patients. Since that time, however, the number of those who simply needed a home has been gradually diminishing until at present we have not a single patient of that description upon our list, all who are not in need of active medical treatment being sent to the Fitch Home, at Darien.

The consequence is that the State soldier patients cost us just as much as any other patients, and that we consequently lose money by receiving them as long as they pay less than the full rates. In 1880 the number of weeks occupied by such patients was 1,191. Our loss on them, assuming that they cost as much as other patients, was \$2.05, or a total of \$2,441.55. In 1881 they occupied 1,247 4-7 weeks, and we lost on them \$1.87 a week, or a total of \$2,333.19. In 1882 they occupied 1,534 4-7 weeks, and

our loss per week on them was \$2.20, a total of \$3,376.05. This loss was so considerable that during the following year (1883) we made an application to the State Hospital Board to have the rates raised, and they were raised one dollar, which made them \$5.50 instead of \$4.50, as before. In consequence of that, our loss during the year 1883 was somewhat less, being \$2,210.86; and during the year 1884 the number of weeks occupied by State soldier patients having fallen to 1,337 weeks, and our loss being 93 cents a week, our total loss was \$1,243.41. *Loss in 1885 = 1.789.06, was 983 1/2.*

Thus we have during the past ~~two~~^{five} years lost on our soldier patients, assuming that they cost us as much as other patients, (which is strictly true of the past ~~two~~^{three} years, but perhaps not quite true for the three preceding years) \$~~11,605.06~~ 13394.12

It will be noticed that the statutes provide distinctly (both the original act of 1878 and all the amendments) that "the expense of such medical care and treatment shall be defrayed by the State." They do not state that it shall be made up out of the funds of the various institutions concerned, nor out of the pockets of their directors, nor out of the contributions of the charitable people of the towns in which they are respectively situated, but that the expense shall be "defrayed by the State." We feel that as long as the State pays us only \$5.50 a week for what costs us in the neighborhood of \$6.50 a week, the act is not really carried out, and that we might justly put in a claim for all the expense that we have been to over and above what we have received from the State. We consider that the State Government ought to pay its own bills rather than to draw upon the generosity of its citizens; and we intend to make an application this year for an increase of the rates paid for soldier patients, as we consider it eminently unjust as well as illegal that a poor man who has too much self-respect to apply to the town for aid, and who is not so fortunate as to have served in the army, should be obliged to pay six dollars a week for his care, while the Commonwealth of Connecticut should pay only \$5.50 for the care of the patients which it is bound by law to provide for.

It ought to be remembered that the low rate of \$4.50 a week is a comparatively new thing, the rates having been formerly very much higher; for instance, from 1868 down to 1876 the rate was \$6 a week; in 1877 it was \$5; from 1878 to 1883 it was \$4.50; so that, out of the last sixteen years, there have been nine in which the rates were \$6 a week.

The expense of running the hospital has, we believe, been kept as low as is possible with the severity of the cases that we have to treat. The proportion of very sick patients in the hospital has increased notably during the past few years, and it has consequently been necessary to employ additional help and nurses and to make large outlays for medicines and surgical dressings. Our total average expenditure per patient per week has been during the last four years as follows:

1881	1882	1883	1884	1885
\$6.37	\$6.70	\$6.50	\$6.43	\$7.32

These fluctuations from year to year are due partly to changes in the amount expended for repairs, furniture, etc., and partly to variations in the price of food. The detailed expenditure per patient per week for these years has been as follows:

	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885
Food,	\$3.18	\$3.40	\$2.90	\$2.98	3.3
Furniture, bedding, and current repairs,	.27	.40	.29	.45	.5
All other items except extraordinary improvements,	2.91	2.89	2.89	3.00	3.3
Extraordinary improvements,			.42		

It must be noticed that the average outlay for food does not represent the cost of the food consumed by each patient, but represents the total cost of food for the entire hospital divided by the number of patients. The increase in this item for the past year is due, not to an increase in the cost of living, hut to an increase in the number of nurses and attendants which it has been necessary to make in order to take proper care of the patients. It should be stated that the nursing is done gratuitously by the Connecticut Training School for Nurses, and that the only expense that the hospital is put to is the cost of the nurses' board, and of lighting and heating the nurses' dormitory.

The permanent fund of the hospital is small, yielding in the year 1884 an income of \$2,348.50. As our deficit during the same year was \$3,609.53, we could not have made the two ends meet without the aid of the Hospital Sunday collections.

As to estimating the appropriation that should be made for the hospital during the coming year, we can only say that it is impossible to make such an estimate exactly, inasmuch as we cannot predict the number of patients that we shall have. We think that the present system of giving the hospitals a lump sum to make up their loss on town patients is an unwise one inasmuch as the hospitals which do comparatively little work make a large profit, whereas those who do a great deal of work lose money. It would be much more just to proportion the appropriation to the number of patients and provide, for instance, that the hospitals should receive say \$2.50 a week for every patient sent by the towns, thus making up their loss exactly, and not giving them any bonus in addition.

In that case the hospitals would be paid for what they do, and it seems to us as unreasonable that all hospitals should be treated alike, without reference to the work they do, as it would be, if the State were to make an equal appropriation to a number of different coal companies for the supply of coal to heat the Capitol and let each one furnish the amount that happened to be asked for by the janitor of the State House.

We can, however, make a rough estimate of what is likely to be needed, based upon the business of the past year and the probable increase. The number of weeks occupied by town patients last year was 2,746. The average increase for the past four years has been nearly 200 weeks. We may therefore fairly assume that the number of weeks occupied by town patients next year will be in the neighborhood of 2,950. In that case we shall need an appropriation of \$7,375 to make up our loss on town patients.

The number of weeks occupied by soldier patients last year was 1,337. It is impossible to predict whether this number will be greater or less during the coming year. It fell off somewhat from 1883 to 1884, but has been increasing since 1880. If we assume that such patients will occupy 1,400 weeks in 1885, which is a little more than the figure for 1884 but less than that for 1883, and that it costs about \$6.50 a week to keep them, we shall require \$9,100 for that purpose. According to this estimate we should require for town and soldier patients together an appropriation of about \$16,475.

HENRY W. FARNAM,	} <i>Prudential Committee,</i>	
WM. H. CARMALT,		
THOMAS HOOKER,		
		<i>Gen. Hospital Soc.</i>
		<i>of Conn.</i>

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 20, 1885.

Figures prepared for the State Hospital Board
in order to secure increase in rate charged
Soldier Patients.

1886

Non Patients.

Date	Weeks.	Loss	
		per week.	Total Loss
1880	2,076	2.55	\$293.80
1881	2,301	2.37	473.37
1882	2,407	2.70	1,439.33
1883	2,328	2.60	1,559.30
1884	2,713	3.43	1,675.21
1885	2,871	3.32	4,333.71
Total,	15,026	2.64½	\$10,014.92

Soldier Patients.

1880	1,191	2.05	\$2,441.55
1881	1,247	1.87	2,333.19
1882	1,334	2.20	3,376.03
1883	1,390	2.78½	2,210.86
1884	1,337	.95	1,245.44
1885	983	1.52	1,789.06
Total,			\$13,896.13

Substitute for House Bill No. 284.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT.
SENATE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 28, 1886. Introduced by Mr. PRELAN of Bridgeport, read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

SENATE, January 29, 1886. Read the first time, and referred to the same Committee.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 18, 1886. The Committee on Military Affairs reported through Mr. ALLEN of Sprague, Chairman of the Committee on the part of the House, that the Bill ought not to pass, but recommend the passage of a Substitute therefor.

AN ACT

Amending an Act in relation to Invalid
Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 1886.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 SECTION 1. That chapter one hundred and thirty-
2 three of the public acts of 1878 (page 345), relating
3 to invalid soldiers, sailors, and marines, be amended
4 by striking out section three of said chapter, and by

5 inserting in place thereof the following : "Section 3.
6 All soldiers, sailors, and marines who served in the
7 Union army or navy in the late civil war, and who
8 may wish to avail themselves of the benefits of this
9 act, shall make application to the governor of this
10 state, who, with the adjutant-general and surgeon-
11 general of the state and three honorably discharged
12 veteran soldiers, residents of this state, who shall be
13 nominated by the commander of the department of
14 Connecticut Grand Army of the Republic, and
15 confirmed by the governor of this state, and who shall
16 hold their offices for and during the term of two
17 years succeeding their appointment, and whose suc-
18 cessors shall be selected in the same manner, shall
19 constitute a soldiers' hospital board, with sole power
20 to admit to, or discharge any soldier, sailor, or marine
21 from any hospital or home in this state; and shall
22 have full power to make all necessary rules and
23 regulations for the admission to and the government
24 of such soldiers, sailors, and marines who may avail
25 themselves of the benefits of this act while they are
26 inmates of such hospital or home, and to fix the sum
27 to be paid for such medical treatment, care, and
28 support. Said board shall have full power to inves-

29 tigate all complaints that may be made to it respecting
30 the conduct or treatment of such soldiers, sailors, or
31 marines in said hospitals or homes, and for that
32 purpose shall have power to compel the attendance
33 of witnesses by subpoena, and to examine witnesses
34 under oath. If, upon any investigation, the board
35 shall find that any soldier, sailor, or marine admitted
36 by said board to a hospital or home has not received
37 proper care, or has been ill-treated or abused by any
38 officer or employee of such hospital or home, they
39 shall forthwith certify that fact to the proper officers
40 of such hospital or home, and to the state treasurer,
41 and shall cause the offender to be prosecuted. If
42 said board shall find that no adequate grounds exist
43 for such complaint, they shall certify that fact to the
44 proper officers of such hospital or home. If said
45 board shall certify to the proper officer or officers of
46 such hospital or home, and to the state treasurer, that
47 they find that any soldier, sailor, or marine, admitted
48 by them to a hospital or home, has not received
49 proper care, or has been ill-treated or abused, the
50 state treasurer shall withhold all appropriations made
51 to such hospital or home under the laws of this state
52 until said board shall certify to him that such offender

53 has been dismissed from the service of such hospital
54 or home, or that action satisfactory to said board has
55 been taken in the case by the officers of such hospital
56 or home. And the state treasurer shall in like man-
57 ner withhold such appropriations upon receiving the
58 certificate of said board that either of said hospitals
59 or home has refused to admit any soldier, sailor, or
60 marine, upon the order of the board, or has discharged
61 any soldier, sailor, or marine therefrom without their
62 approval.

1 Sec. 2. The governor of the state shall be the
2 president of said board, and said board shall have
3 power to elect such other officers from among its
4 members, and to make such rules and regulations as
5 may be found necessary for the proper and convenient
6 transaction of the business of the board.

1 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.

